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DIXON, ILLINOIS, TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1900.

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New Wax Beans, Sweet Potatoes, Cranberries, Parsnips, Ripe Tomatoes, Parsely, Radishes, Celery, Spinach, Squash, Turnips and Lettuce.
Sweet Navel Oranges, California Grapes, Layer Figs, Citron, Canned Cherries, Bananas, Malaga Grapes, Dates, Mixed Nuts, Olives and Raisins.
Sweet Cider, Fresh Cocoanuts, Fifty Kinds of Candy, Olive Oil, Salad Dressing, Celery Salt, Paprika, Stuffed Olives, French Capers, Lea and Peerin's Sauce, Pure Tomato Catsup.
Christmas Trees, Holly Branches and Wreaths, Evergreen Rolls, Magnolia Wreaths, Mistletoe, Palm Leaves.
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WENDEL,
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GREAT SALE!

Furs

When?

Wednesday, December 19th, 1900.

Morris Kohn & Co's full line
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O. H. Brown & Co.

VERY LATEST.

Bank Looted.

Special by American Press Association:
HOPE, INDIANA, Dec. 18.—Kennedy's bank was entered by burglars this morning and they blew open the safe and escaped with over fifteen thousand dollars in cash. A large posse of citizens is in pursuit of the robbers.

Dead Robber.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 18.—One of the train robbers who looted the Illinois Central cars one day last week, was found dead in the woods in the vicinity of the place where the crime was committed.

Goes to Turkey.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—The President today nominated to the Senate, John C. A. Leishman of Pennsylvania, who is now minister to Switzerland, to be United States minister to Turkey.

CHRISTMAS CANTATA.

At Christian Church Next Tuesday Evening.

For a Christmas entertainment at the Christian church a cantata will be given Saturday evening, December 22nd.

Instead of having a Christmas tree for themselves the children have voted to make a donation that evening of practical things, clothing, etc., and these articles will be distributed to poor children of the city.

Holds Good Position.

Many of our readers will remember C. B. Hamilton, son of W. H. Hamilton, who a number of years ago was a drug clerk for D. S. Horton. The young man attended school in North Dixon and made many friends in Dixon who will be pleased to read the following from the December Hotel World: "Mr. C. B. Hamilton holds the important position of chief steward of the Goodrich line of steamers, with headquarters in Chicago. Under him are the separate stewards of each large passenger steamer and it is Mr. Hamilton's duty to inspect and supervise in all that transpires in the catering done on these great floating hotels."

The Newspaper Man.

"If a newspaper man knew how many 'knocks' he received behind his back he would adopt another calling," remarked a citizen the other day. The citizen was wrong. The newspaper man who succeeds expects to be maligned by every law-breaker, swindler and hypocrite, every carping critic and every lover of notoriety who is ignored, and in fact by all persons who do not agree with him on public and private questions. The newspaper man who expects to go thru life without being resented and unjustly censured should make arrangements to die young.—Ex.

County Physicians' Appointments.

The Almshouse Committee met today at the Almshouse in South Dixon, and appointed the following physicians to care for the paupers of the county:

District No. 1, M. C. Munn; No. 2, W. Petermeyer; No. 3, W. C. Smith; No. 4, E. B. Owens; No. 5, W. Henry; No. 6, N. S. Felker; No. 7, C. F. Powell; No. 8, T. H. Stetler; No. 9, E. B. Owens; No. 10, G. F. Rannels.

Woman's Guild Sale.

The members of the Woman's Guild of the Episcopal church conducted a successful sale of fancy articles at Miss Mulkins' store in the opera block yesterday. There were several desirable articles not disposed of and they will be left there this week for any one who will purchase.

Loss is Adjusted.

Adjuster S. D. Andrus of the Providence Washington company this afternoon settled the fire loss in J. W. Haynes' photograph gallery, allowing him \$357.20. This was an exceedingly quick settlement. The local agent is the F. E. Stiteley Co.

—John J. Davlin is advertising a valuable Masonic badge set with diamonds which he found.

BOWLING ITEMS.

Another Victory for Cooper's Team.

Cooper's team and Gonnerman's team were up against each other at the Dixon bowling alleys last evening with the result of three straight games to the credit of the former. The work of the players is shown by the following score:

	1st game	2d	3d	Total
Jones	137	142	145	414
R Howell	121	149	164	434
Kimmel	133	123	136	412
Harbert	164	142	164	470
Cooper	169	185	117	471
Totals	744	731	726	2201

	1st game	2d	3d	Total
Lennon	103	123	150	376
Ankeny	140	116	121	377
Jim Miller	173	128	120	421
Backus	153	178	97	428
Gonnerman	103	169	22	294
Totals	672	714	729	2115

Injured by a Fall.

Attorney E. S. Smith of Springfield, Illinois, who has been visiting his cousin, E. W. Smith, in this city since Saturday, met with a severe accident last evening. In the afternoon he had been at Attorney J. C. Ayres' office on business and when 6 o'clock approached he started for E. W. Smith's office to accompany him home. As it was rather dark and he was not thoroughly familiar with the stairways, he turned into the passageway just east of the City National Bank which leads to the furnace below. The gate was open and instead of running up a flight of steps, as he expected to do, he fell heavily down the stairway. Judging from his injuries, he must have turned a complete somersault and landed upon his back on the edge of the lower steps. George Smith of Palmyra drove up to tie his horse near by and hearing someone groaning he procured a lantern from Downing Bros. store and investigated. A crowd soon gathered and someone who recognized Mr. Smith notified his cousin, while another called Dr. Moore.

The injured man was taken to E. W. Smith's home in a hack and it was an hour before his pulse could be raised above 40. His greatest injury was to his back. He also struck upon his left elbow and partially paralyzed the nerves of that arm. He is a man 51 years of age and for some time it was feared that he could not rally, but today he is much better. He expected to go to Chicago tomorrow to prepare an important law case, but will be unable to attend to business for awhile.

A Neat Little Surprise.

Monday, December 17, at 10 a. m. at the home of W. J. Stevenson in Ashton occurred the marriage of their daughter, Nina, to A. M. Moore, formerly of Greencastle, Pa., but for the past three years a very worthy employee in the Hardware department of A. W. Rosecans & Co's large retail store. The ceremony was performed by their pastor, Rev. Roger F. Cressey of Franklin Grove. The happy pair took the noon train for the east; scores of their young friends accompanying them to the depot and showered them with rice. The most prominent feature of the occasion was the proverbial shoe fastened to the dressing case of the bride with a cable wire. The good natured conductor held the train until the young participants in the fun was fully satisfied that all passengers knew a bride and groom had come aboard. They will be at home to their friends in Ashton after Saturday, December 22nd. They have the best wishes of their many friends here.

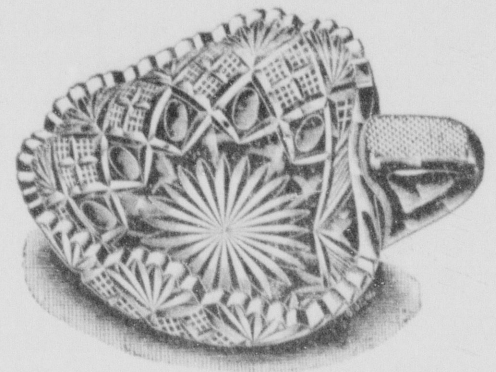
Guitar Recital A Success.

The guitar recital given at the rooms of the Young Men's Christian Association last evening by Johnson Bane was well attended and the program proved to be exceeding entertaining. Mr. Bane is truly an artist and his selections were varied and of a high order. He was assisted with readings by Miss Blackmer and soprano solos by Mrs. F. A. Ballou. The ladies received their share of the applause and their work was much appreciated.

Hamilton Land Sold.

J. D. Mekeel of Hamilton township recently sold his farm of 80 acres—the north one-half of the southeast one-quarter of section 16—for \$60 per acre. This is in the heart of the reclaimed swamp land and was purchased by him about ten years ago for \$18 per acre. Mr. Mekeel has now purchased the Wm. LiVan farm just north of the village of Harmon for \$74 per acre. He has lived in the vicinity all his life and knows the value of Harmon land.

Cut Glass!

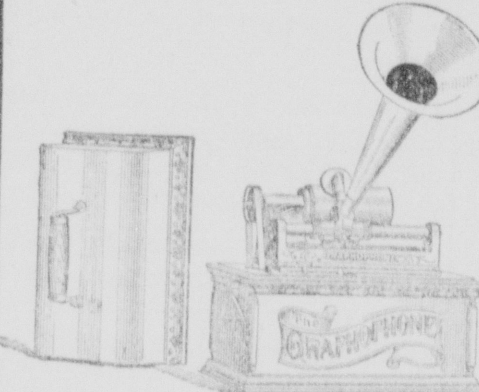


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Best XXX Soda Crackers (box lots) per pound......51
White Rock Candy (string) per pound......15
Fancy Table Syrup, per gallon......30

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—Arlo Martin is on the sick list.
—F. E. Clink went to Sublette yesterday.
—Geo. Winters has a severe attack of appendicitis.
—Charley Hill of Freeport is here today on business.
—John Stager of Milwaukee was here today on business.
—Mrs. Harck of Lee Center was a Dixon visitor yesterday.
—Silas Thompson attended the pigeon shoot at Nachusa today.
—Mrs. Gillispie is assisting at the Dollar Saver during the holidays.
—There will be a special meeting tonight of Nachusa Chapter R. A. M.
—Kit Carson started today for Cherokee, Iowa, where he will visit with his sister.
—Miss Kittle Deputy of East River street arrived home Sunday from Denver, Col.
—Mrs. O. S. App was called to Elgin yesterday afternoon by the death of a brother.
—Storey Drew of Palmyra is enjoying a visit from his brother, Seth Drew of Cedar Rapids.
—The Eminent Ladies will hold their next regular meeting on Thursday evening, December 20.
—The Wednesday Afternoon Whist Club will meet with Mrs. F. A. Watson tomorrow afternoon at 2:30.
—John T. Lawrence left yesterday afternoon for Erie, Whiteside county, in the interest of the Knights of the Globe.
—Two big bouncing boy brothers made their debut at the home of Samuel Rubenstein last evening and are giving vocal duets.
—Miss Helen Henderson, teacher in the fifth room of the second ward was taken suddenly very ill this morning and her pupils were dismissed for the day.
—Messrs. Phelps and Grant took a hunting trip below Sterling yesterday and succeeded in bagging 55 rabbits. They also report a great many ducks on the river.
—Sydney Cryer, a son of Rev. Cryer of the Presbyterian church, who is attending school at Coe college, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is expected home on Thursday of this week to spend the holidays.
—Frederick A. Fredrickson of Lyons, Iowa, hanged himself in his barn Saturday evening. Despondency caused by failing eyesight was the reason. He was a painter and could no longer work at his trade.
—The South Dixon Literary society will meet in the Brick schoolhouse on the Chicago road next Friday evening, and will discuss the question that the world is growing better. Edwin Jobe and D. B. Linderman will maintain the affirmative of the proposition and T. C. Buckaloo and Frank Dornblaser will argue the negative.
—Archbishop Ireland is in favor of the canteen law. He says it acts as a safeguard, promotes morality in the army and decreases drunkenness. He has always been an abstainer and temperance worker himself and he says his experience at Fort Snelling near St. Paul has taught him that the army canteen lessons drunkenness among soldiers. He has been defending the law before the senate committee and it is believed the Senate will defeat the House bill to abolish the canteen.
—Of our Christmas edition the Sterling Gazette says: "The Saturday's edition of the DIXON TELEGRAPH is altogether the handsomest Holiday number of any of the country dailies that have come to our desk this year. Beautifully colored covers, enclose twenty pages of bright Christmas stories, local news and generous advertisements of the hustling business men of the city. The Gazette extends the compliments of the season to its neighbor and all that abide within its gates, from editor to devil."

—A short time ago THE TELEGRAPH received a couple of pamphlets from the Illinois State Board of Health on the subjects of diphtheria and scarlet fever and their prevention, restriction and suppression. The pamphlets contain a great deal of valuable information in regard to these two diseases such as isolation, disinfection, duties of physician and duties of the local health authorities. A list of standard disinfectants is given and the pamphlet would be valuable in case of either of these diseases. Copies may be obtained without cost by addressing the secretary at Springfield.

From the Sterling Gazette:
Charles Crumb of Dixon was here yesterday.
Walter Brieding of Dixon visited friends in this city yesterday.
Mrs. E. Daveler who has been visiting relatives in Dixon has returned home.
Master Harry Uhl, who has been a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson returned to Dixon yesterday.

PROBATE COURT NEWS.
Proceedings in the County Court Before Judge Farrand.
Wm. F. Shippert, deceased. Catherine Shippert, mother, appointed guardian of minor children under bonds of \$600; bond in said sum approved.
Anna N. Steward, deceased. Vina Noble, daughter, appointed administratrix under bonds of \$200; bond in said sum approved.
George Messersmith, deceased. Appraisal bill, widow's award and inventory approved. Petition for order to sell personal property at private sale granted.
Thomas Killack, deceased. Claim of J. S. Gallagher allowed for \$36.
August Schick, deceased; will filed and hearing set for Dec. 24, 1900.
A. B. Willey, deceased; claim of E. D. Bedient allowed for \$2.
Sophie Jacobs, deceased. Petition asking for an order directing executor to deliver to specific legatees certain personal property mentioned in said petition. Petition granted.
Joseph Eckstein, deceased. Report of sale of real estate approved.
William A. Kentner, deceased. All defendants ruled to answer by coming into Court Dec. 5, 1900.
Thomas Killback, deceased. Claim of M. Fagan allowed for \$1.00.
Alonzo G. Birdsell deceased. Partnership inventory and appraisal bill approved.
Edward Arndt, deceased. Guardian's report approved.
Charles Walker, deceased. Petition for order to sell personal property at public sale granted.
May Healy, deceased. Certificate of publication and affidavit of posting notices for creditors to appear approved.
Maud Adams, minor; guardian's report approved.
Geo. Messersmith, deceased. List of personal property set off to widow and accepted by her to apply on her award approved.
Arthur McCrystal, deceased. Same order as above.
Mary Mohan, deceased. Same order as above.
Ann Phalen, deceased. Will filed. Petition to probate same set for hearing on the 7th day of January, 1901.
James Dewey, deceased. Will proven and admitted to record.
Elizabeth Pautsch, deceased. Certificate of publication and affidavit of posting notices for creditors to appear approved.
William McGuirk, deceased. Executor's final report approved. Executor ordered to distribute balance in his hands to proper heirs and legatees and upon filing proper receipts for same, executor to be discharged and estate declared settled.

Feast of Lights—A Jewish festival.
Chanukah, or "Feast of Lights," the annual celebration by orthodox Jews of the victory of the Maccabean hosts over the Syrian tyrants, began last night and will continue for eight days. The illumination of the residences, places of worship, and assembly of the Jews is a feature of the celebration. Each Jew is supposed to lay in a stock of at least eight candles. One taper is lighted the first night of the observance of the feast, and an additional candle is burned for a short period each succeeding night, until the evening of the last day of the celebration, when eight candles are burned at one time. The period of rejoicing is also made the occasion of feasts and family reunions.

Thoughtful Patriotism.
Congressman Joseph Cannon, who is also a candidate for United States senator, believes that Mr. Hitt should remain in the lower house of Congress for the good of his country, if "not for Joe."

Mr. Cannon is represented as kindly saying that Representative Hitt would make an excellent senator, but he cannot be spared from the house of representatives. "I have watched Hitt," he said, "from the beginning of his career and I regard him as one of the ablest and most useful men on the republican side. I do not think there is anyone on the democratic side who can compare with him in the exercise of the peculiar duties that pertain to the chairmanship of the committee on foreign affairs. We had a little experience here once when another man was chairman of that committee, and things did not go right. Therefore I consider it absolutely necessary for him to remain in the house."

"It's different with me," continued Mr. Cannon. "I could be much more useful to my country and my state in the senate than in the house of representatives, and many people would be glad to have me relieved from my duties as chairman of the appropriations committee, whether I went over to the other end of the capitol or not."

—Miss Nina Paddock, who has been visiting at the home of her uncle, F. E. Self, returned today to her home near Ashton.

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Bets.
Will Berger bet on a football, that one side would score more than the other.
The teams tied.
The man says that he won the money Berger says that he did not.
It was looked upon by the sporting authorities, who have decided for Berger, all bets being declared off on a tie.
There are those who contend that the word "more" makes the bet differ from the rules of a tie. If Berger only ties the man, he does not do what he bet that he would do.
The town is divided on the subject. Old friends have called each other mullets and ancestors of the mule. At Billy Wymer's cafe one evening, six old friends lined up in front of the bar and each paid for his own treat. Neither would speak to the other.
An outbreak of Boxers is imminent at any moment.
Wads of wealth are being flung to back opinions, all the supporting papers have been written to and every fellow is holding his breath and hanging onto his hat.—Genesee News.

McVicker's Theatre.
F. C. Whitney and Edwin Knowles' great production of "Quo Vadis" is again packing McVicker's Theatre, Chicago, to the doors and filling these great audiences with most unbounded enthusiasm. In the year which has elapsed since "Quo Vadis" was first produced at McVicker's, and then for the first time on any stage, the play has been seen in every large city in America and with the unvarying triumph which attended its initial presentation in Chicago.

The powerful story which Stenklawicz wrote about the early Christians and the struggle with the tyrant Nero is faithfully shown in Stanislaus Stange's dramatization and the staging and acting are so nearly perfect it is hard to conceive anything nearer to actuality. The great scene of the play is Nero's court with its crowds of gorgeously dressed men and women, its troops of slaves and its splendid pretorian guard.

Arthur Forrest is still the elegant Petronius; Edmund D. Lyons yet plays the vicious Nero and Richard Buhler is again the handsome young tribune Vindex. Robert McWade is playing Chilo Chilonides this year and Nellette Reed, Dallas Tyler, Mabel Mortimer and Helen Ashley have the principal female roles. The engagement ends Dec. 29 and includes a special Christmas matinee.

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We refer by permission to the editor of this paper who can give full information as to the workings of this grand boon to humanity will be calling or sending their name and address to correspondence strictly confidential.

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DOOM OF THAT TREATY

Will Come About, Probably, on Thursday, When the Vote Is to Be Taken.

DISCUSSED BY MONEY AND MASON

Secretary Hay's Probable Course, as Stated by a Special—Porto Rico Case Is Up.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Just before adjourning late yesterday afternoon the senate gave its consent to the fixing of a definite time to vote upon the Hay-Pannecote treaty. Money and Mason had occupied the time of the executive session in making speeches upon the treaty, both of them in opposition, and when Mason, who was the last speaker, concluded Lodge renewed his request to take a vote next Thursday. No voice was raised in opposition, and the unanimous agreement was recorded. The understanding is that the voting shall be on the amendments at 3 p. m. and that the senate shall continue in session until the first vote on the treaty itself is reached. The speeches of Money and Mason were on the line of opposition to the treaty, and Money's in particular was radical as to the right of the United States to do what it pleased in the matter.

Mason Not an Antagonist.
Mason spoke in support of his suggested amendment authorizing the United States to defend the canal as it may deem proper in case it constructs the canal. He corrected at the outset the impression that in his effort to have the treaty amended he is seeking to antagonize the administration. Nothing he said was further from his thought, because he believed that in this as in all other matters the administration had been entirely patriotic. His difference of view was due, he said, to a different conception of the way to reach a common end, that common end being the welfare of the American people.

Hay Likely to Leave the Cabinet.

The correspondent of a Chicago evening paper telegraphs to Chicago as follows: "In his present frame of mind Secretary Hay is liable to insist upon the acceptance of his resignation at any day or hour. He has explained his attitude to Mr. McKinley and expressed a strong desire to step out. He is remaining now in response to the urgent persuasion of the president. If the senate persists in framing up an amended treaty which contains a notice to Great Britain that the Clayton-Bulwer treaty is looked upon by this country as already abrogated, and that we intend to go ahead and build a canal, or do what we please without regard to the consent of Great Britain, it may be stated without reserve that Secretary Hay will not be the man to present or transmit that document to the English foreign office."

He Is Weary of Treaty-Making.

"Secretary Hay does not admit that there is any personal feeling in his wish to leave the cabinet. The fact that the senate has rejected nearly every one of a score of treaties which he has sent to that body he attributes to the general jingo sentiment, which prevents the necessary two-thirds vote. At the same time he is quite willing to let some other man try his hand at it, and see if he does any better. In any event he will not be the medium for transmission of a treaty which he regards as a violation of national faith and a just cause of affront."

IMPORTANT ISSUE IS INVOLVED.

Status of Our Islands Is Dependent on the Decision.

Washington, Dec. 18.—In the United States supreme court yesterday argument was begun in two cases the decision of which is expected to fix the status of Porto Rico and the Philippine islands and other insular possessions acquired through the war with Spain with respect to the United States proper: to say whether their people are citizens and to indicate whether the constitution follows the flag.

One of the cases is that of John Goetze, who in June, 1899, imported from Porto Rico a quantity of leaf tobacco into the United States through the port of New York and protested against the assessment of duty on the importation.

He claimed that the tobacco was not subject to duty because "Porto Rico at the time of the importation was not a foreign country and because, therefore, the imposition of duties on goods brought from a place within the territory of the United States into a port of the United States is not lawful and valid under the constitution." The collector of the port and the board of general appraisers both ruled against him, as did the United States circuit court for the southern district of New York when Goetze took the case before that tribunal. From the opinions of that court the importers appealed to the United States supreme court.

The other case is known as the "Fourteen Diamond Ring" case. In that suit the claimant is one Manuel Pepke, who served as a soldier of the United States in Luzon, in the Philippines. While there he purchased or acquired the rings in question and brought them into the United States without paying duty upon them. The rings were seized by a United States customs officer, as merchandise liable to duty.

Pepke pleads that at the time he acquired the property Luzon was a part of the territory of the United States and that the seizure was contrary to the claimant's right as a citizen of the United States under the constitution and he insisted that under article 1, section 8, congress is required to see that all taxes and duties shall be uniform throughout the United States. The lower tribunal decided against Pepke. Yesterday his side was presented at length and with force by two lawyers.

Senate and House in Brief.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The senate was in open session only an hour yesterday, the remainder of the legislative day being spent in executive session upon the Hay-Pannecote treaty. Chandler created a little flurry by en-

deavoring again to get up the resolution relating to the Montana senatorial case. The effort was futile.

Under suspension of the rules the house yesterday passed a few bills of no general importance. An attempt was made to pass a bill to give soldiers and sailors of the civil war, the Spanish war and the war in the Philippines preference in the matter of official appointments, but it aroused opposition on the ground that it would practically shut out of the government employ for years to come all civilians and was overwhelmingly defeated. One hundred and two private pension bills were passed, together with a bill to put Representative Bontelle on the navy retired list as a captain.

Appointment Bill Agreed On.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Hopkins' re-appointment bill was agreed to by the house census committee yesterday. It leaves the house the same as at present with 357 members. It requires that the several congressional districts of the several states should be composed of "contiguous and compact" territory. The purpose of the amendment is to prevent gerrymandering. Under the bill the following states will lose one representative each: Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Nebraska, Ohio, South Carolina and Virginia. The following will gain one each: Illinois, Louisiana, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York and West Virginia. Texas will gain two representatives.

States Can Tax "Foreign" Firewater.

Washington, Dec. 18.—The supreme court of the United States yesterday affirmed the decision of the circuit court of the United States for the southern district of Ohio in the case of the Reyanan Brewing company vs. Harry Brister, treasurer of Jefferson county, Ohio. The case involved the constitutionality of the Dow Ohio state law providing for the taxation of "foreign" liquors—that is liquors from some other state—and the supreme court sustained the law.

President May Go to Toledo.

Washington, Dec. 18.—President Scott, of the Union Iron works, San Francisco, the builders of the new battleship Ohio, saw the president yesterday and received his assurance that if nothing occurred to prevent he would go to San Francisco some time next month to witness the launching of the vessel.

CHICAGO'S BRUTAL THUG.

He Hammered a Girl Over the Head with a Heavy Pair of Shears.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Miss Lillian Beatty, formerly of San Francisco, lies at the residence of Dr. E. Lyman Denison, 5800 State street, hovering between life and death as a result of a terrible fight with a burglar last night. For half an hour she fought him unaided, struggling back and forth through three rooms, resisting until the loss of blood from her wounds sapped her strength. So hard was her fight that her clothes were torn and a half dozen chairs and a heavy operating table overturned. During the scuffle the thief tried to choke her, and in the twinkling of an eye she was in the hands of the men, who proceeded to place a rope around his neck, and then left, crawling again through the hole by which they had entered, dragging the negro after them. He was soon swimming in the air and the mob left town. None of the mob wore a mask. Citizens of Booneville made no effort to assist in the protection of the negro, and a number quietly admitted that citizens generally were in sympathy with the work of the mob. Judge Swan, of the Warrick county circuit court, made every effort to suppress violence, but the members of the mob ignored him and proceeded with the work.

BOERS IN CAPE COLONY.

Force Crosses from Orange River Colony—Disaster to Brabant's Horse.

Cape Town, Dec. 18.—Seven hundred Boers have crossed from Orange River Colony into Cape Colony near Aliwal North and have reached Kaapdal.

London, Dec. 18.—General Kitchener, in a dispatch received by the war office, confirms the Associated Press dispatches from Aliwal North, Cape Colony, announcing the capture by the Boers of a detachment of Brabant's Horse Dec. 13, near Zastron, Orange River Colony, and says 107 men were made prisoners on that occasion.

Maheer and Ruhl in Meet.

Philadelphia, Dec. 18.—Gus Ruhl and Peter Maheer met last night at the Penn Art Athletic club in a six round contest that proved to be one of the fastest and most furious bouts of that length between heavyweights which has been seen for some time. Under the local laws governing boxing contests, no decisions are permitted judgment as to the outcome being left to the spectators. The consensus of opinion was that Ruhl had by far the better of the fight.

Collision Kills Two Men.

Milwaukee, Dec. 18.—A collision between two parts of a broken freight train at South Milwaukee last night killed two and possibly three men. Two oil cars were totally wrecked and the arms and legs of two men were found in the wreckage. The men killed were Frank Gorman and Claude Hager, supposed to be sailors from Chicago.

Big Clothing House Fails.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Sol Wolfe, the retail clothier at State and Jackson boulevard, has gone into voluntary bankruptcy. Through his attorney, he has filed a petition before Judge Kohlstedt, giving his liabilities as \$230,000 and his tangible assets at from \$115,000 to \$120,000. The court appointed H. L. Wilson as temporary receiver.

Smallpox in a Hospital.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Dec. 18.—It was found yesterday that J. Ray Watkins, of Manchester, Mich., a patient in the University hospital, has smallpox. Ninety-two other patients and all the nurses and medical students were vaccinated at once, and for ten days the hospital will be closed to incoming patients and visitors.

Loss of 136 German Sailors.

Berlin, Dec. 18.—An official dispatch from Malaga accounts for 314 survivors out of the 450 persons who were on board the German training frigate Gueisena, which foundered at the entrance to the port of Malaga Sunday.

The Delegate from Hawaii.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Delegate Wilcox, of Hawaii, recently elected to represent the island in the house, has arrived at Washington and been sworn in as a delegate to the house.

MOB IS "THE PEOPLE,"

And a Great State Is Helpless Before a Force of 100 "Infuriated" Citizens.

INDIANA LAW APPEARS OBSOLETE

Another Man Hanged by the Expert Rioters From Rockport.

Governor Promptly Orders Out a Company of Militia, but Before It Can Arrive the Show Is Over.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 18.—A special to The Sentinel from Booneville, Ind., says: "John Rolla, the third of the colored men implicated in the murder of Helle Simons, was hung to a tree in the court house yard by a mob of about 100 men from Rockport at 6:30 p. m. yesterday. Not a shot was fired, and everything was conducted as quietly as if the execution had been one under the sanction of the law. Rolla was brought to this place yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock in charge of Sheriff Anderson, of Rockport. Upon his arrival he was placed in a cell on the second floor of the jail, and his presence was known only to a few citizens.

Mob Was Ahead of the Troops.

"A few minutes after 6 o'clock a body of 100 men marched through the principal street of the town to the jail and demanded that the prisoner be turned over to it. Sheriff Benjamin Hudson was out of town, and his deputy, Raymond Cherry, was in charge of the jail. He had heard that a mob was on its way there, and at once made an effort to get the prisoner out of town to take him to Evansville, but before this could be accomplished the mob had arrived and the facility of the attempt became apparent.

Jail Wall Battered Down.

"He declined to give up the keys to the jail, and the members of the mob at once began to batter in the wall of the jail with a telegraph pole, which was handled by a dozen or more men. As soon as a hole large enough to admit the body of a man was battered through the wall six members of the mob crawled through and with sledgehammers broke down the door of Rolla's cell. Inside the jail the negro could hear the sounds of the telegraph pole as it bored its way, through the wall. When the men reached his cell he protested his innocence in loud tones, begging pitifully now and then to be spared.

Job Done Quite Expeditionally.

"Little time was used in breaking into the cell, and in the twinkling of an eye the thoroughly terrified colored man was in the hands of the men, who proceeded to place a rope around his neck, and then left, crawling again through the hole by which they had entered, dragging the negro after them. He was soon swimming in the air and the mob left town. None of the mob wore a mask. Citizens of Booneville made no effort to assist in the protection of the negro, and a number quietly admitted that citizens generally were in sympathy with the work of the mob. Judge Swan, of the Warrick county circuit court, made every effort to suppress violence, but the members of the mob ignored him and proceeded with the work."

GOVERNOR HEARS THE NEWS.

Gives Orders for a Militia Company to Get Ready to Move.

Governor Mount was advised last night by the sheriff of Spencer county that a mob of 600 had started from Rockport to Booneville with the intention of lynching Joe Rolla and another negro arrested for complicity in the murder of Helle Simons Saturday night. He also notified the governor that the local authorities would be powerless to resist the mob, and asked that a military company be sent at once to the scene. A message was at once sent to Adjutant General Gore by the governor asking the former to consult with the governor as to the best means of controlling the situation. Before the arrival of the adjutant general, however, Governor Mount instructed Captain Blum, of company E, located at Evansville, to get his men under arms as expeditiously as possible. A special train was ordered to be in readiness as soon as the Booneville authorities asked for assistance. It was feared, however, that the mob would reach Booneville ahead of the soldiers, which it did. State officials were in consultation with the governor for several hours Sunday night and he was kept closely advised of the situation.

A special to The Sentinel from Evansville, Ind., says: "Advices from Rockport say the negroes are thoroughly aroused and a race war is imminent. They openly threaten out of revenge for the lynching of the colored men that they will burn the town. Guards have been stationed about the town and all of the citizens are heavily armed and watching closely for any sign of an outbreak among the negroes."

CALLS IT A GREATER CRIME.

Governor Declares He Will Try to Punish the Mobsters.

"I am exceedingly grieved," said Governor Mount, "that two lynchings should have occurred during my administration. We did everything in our power to punish the Ripley county lynchings. I went there myself, filed the affidavits and caused the arrest of a number of men, but we could accomplish nothing. I know that many people in this case will say that only two negroes were lynched, and that they deserved it because of their crime. There is no question but that they should have been made to atone for their crime, but a still greater crime should not have been committed in the method of punishing them."

"It makes no difference what the crime is, the people have no right to take the law into their own hands, as they have done in this instance. There is this about it: Such things have got

to stop. I will not tolerate it. You may say this for me: The governor deeply deprecates lynching, and will do all in his power to stop it. It must be stopped. I shall give the county time to act, and if it does not act I shall spare neither time nor cost to find out the lynchers and bring them to punishment.

"I shall not send the militia unless it is called for, for sending troops when they are not called for is what brings the militia of a state into disrepute. If the sheriff should call for troops to help protect any of his prisoners, or others, they will be sent, but not until he does so."

INDUSTRIAL CONCILIATION.

The General Subject Discussed at the Chicago Conference.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—A conference on "Industrial conciliation and arbitration," under the auspices of the National Civic Federation, began here at 10:30 a. m. yesterday. Steinway hall was half filled when the speaking began, but Secretary Easley, of the Civic Federation, declared that the numerous labor captains present from various points of the country formed a good return on the invitations sent out.

The conference has as its object the stirring up of public sentiment, by means of intellectual discussion, between representatives of labor and employer, rather than of asking definite action, although it is not unlikely that some resolutions giving the sentiment of the conference on the best ways of dealing with industrial disputes will come up.

Franklin McVeagh called the convention to order with a speech giving the purposes of the conference. Carroll D. Wright, United States labor commissioner followed. During the sessions speeches were made by Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell of the U. M. W., and also by a number of employers of labor, and the division of opinion on the matters at issue was sharp. Gompers came out strongly in opposition to "compulsory" arbitration. He also held that the same rules as to control should be applied to labor and capital—that capital should be most controlled.

John R. Tobin, of Boston, general president of the Boot and Shoe Workers' union, spoke of the method under which the boot and shoe workers and their employers have got along together with the minimum of trouble. Chairman MacVeagh announced a committee on resolutions and plan of a tion, chosen by the committee in charge of the conference and representing the different interests involved.

WHAT JOHN BULL WANTS.

Does Not Agree to the Elimination of the Word "Irrevocable."

London, Dec. 18.—"Great Britain has instructed Sir Ernest Satow, I understand," says the Peking correspondent of The Daily Mail, wiring Sunday, "to urge the retention in the joint note of the word 'irrevocable,' and the inclusion in the preamble of a declaration that until the Chinese government has fulfilled the demands of the powers, Peking and the province of Chi Li will not be evacuated by the allied troops."

"It is rumored that Germany is warmly supporting the British proposal, and I believe a majority of the powers—and possibly all of them—will eventually accept the proposal, which is hailed here with delight."

Charged It to False Love.

Grand Island, Neb., Dec. 18.—L. M. Hansen, 24 years old, whose folks reside four miles east of this city and are well-to-do farmers, was found dead in the back yard at the residence of a neighbor Sunday morning. He had killed himself with strychnine. On his person was found a card written on both sides as follows: "I have never forgotten my first love. She is most to blame for this. False love is what caused me to do this; but I will be better off. Good night and take good care of yourselves. Your son."

Condition of C. A. Bontelle.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Charles A. Bontelle, representative from Maine, never again will be able to take his place in active life, and at best can live only a few years, according to a statement received from Dr. Edward Cowles, superintendent of the hospital at Waverley, Mass., where the statesman is under treatment.

Papal Appointments.

Rome, Dec. 18.—At the papal consistory yesterday Rev. Hermann Joseph Alerding was appointed bishop of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Rev. Joseph O'Reilly, of Peoria, titular bishop of Laredo, Tex.

Thieves Got Away with \$3,200.
Guthrie, O. T., Dec. 18.—Thieves robbed the Cashion bank Sunday night, securing \$3,200.

NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE

A Methodist preacher of Austin (Chicago suburb), who advertised "500 Girls Wanted" to hear a sermon, secured an audience of sixty-eight young women.

Fire in the Norfolk navy yard destroyed the construction building, containing plans, models and drawings. The loss is \$200,000.

Miles Novotny, formerly of Chicago, was accidentally asphyxiated in a New York boarding house.

Copper in paying quantities has been discovered two miles north of Bound Brook, N. J.

Dr. Parker, pastor of the London City Temple, is editing the London Sun for a week. He has abolished the betting column.

Fire at Cleveland nearly destroyed the big plant of the Brown Hoisting and Conveying Machine company. Loss, \$500,000.

Rev. William de Ronden Pos, of London, has sued John Alexander Dowie the Zionist, of Chicago, for libel.

A dispatch from Peking says Li Hung Chang is suffering from influenza.

The White Star liner Celtic was towed into Queenstown harbor, having lost her propeller. First Officer Crosby was drowned.

The United States supreme court will take a recess from next Monday until Monday, Jan. 7.

French Dominican monks who have lived in Westchester county, New York, for six years have returned to France because of the severity of the climate.

COMMISSION IS DONE

Report on the Revision of Statutes Governing the Practice of Law in Courts.

MAKES SOME RECOMMENDATIONS

Cumberland County After Land Swindlers—Riding of Interest to Odd Fellows.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 18.—The commission appointed by the Forty-first general assembly to make recommendations for revising the statutes governing the practice of law in the courts, consisting of John S. Miller and Robert McMurphy, of Chicago; E. P. Williams, of Galesburg; ex-Judge William L. Gross, of Springfield, and Waiter Horton, of Peoria, yesterday made a report to Governor Tanner. It states that meetings were held at Chicago, Springfield, Peoria, Danville, Belleville and Mount Vernon; that 150 propositions for repeals, amendments and new provisions, some of which involve changes of sweeping and comprehensive character, were presented for their consideration. Among them were many which met the approval of the commission, but which were not deemed within the scope of its duties, and others were rejected for lack of time to consider and bestow upon them the care which they deserved.

As to State's Attorney.

Among the principal recommendations made are that state's attorneys shall be paid salaries to be assigned by county boards and paid from the fees of their office, the surplus to be paid into the county treasury, except in counties of the third class, where the salary shall be \$10,000 per annum; salaries of assistants are to be fixed by the county board; state's attorneys to not receive a fee or reward from any private person for any service within his official duties.

Cases in Justices' Courts.

Costs in justices' courts shall be \$2 in counties of the first and second classes, and \$2.50 in counties of the third class, to cover all services, payable in advance in civil cases and in arrears in criminal cases. No hearing or decree is to be entered in divorce cases within three months from the default entered or appearance of the defendant filed. Peremptory challenges of jurors in civil cases are increased to five for each side. Inquests in lunacy shall be by jury only.

Barely a Bride Free a Widow.

Springfield, Ills., Dec. 18.—Orendorf Ridgely, a prominent young business man of Danville, aged about 35 years, died last evening in that city. He was the son of Captain Vincent Ridgely, a former prominent citizen of Galesburg, now of St. Petersburg, Fla., and a grandson of the late Nicholas H. Ridgely, of this city. He leaves a bride of a few months. He was connected with the Consolidated Coal company.

GANG OF LAND SWINDLERS LOOSE

Their Secrets Expected To Be Public Property Before Long.

Mattoon, Ills., Dec. 18.—The authorities of Cumberland county are confident that with the prosecution of Luke D. Thompson, of Parkersburg, will be uncovered the secrets of a gang of land swindlers who have been operating successfully in southern and central Illinois. These land deals, in which dozens of investors have been victimized out of amounts aggregating thousands of dollars, have been facilitated, it is alleged, by a notary public at Vincennes, Ind. Thompson purchased a piece of mortgaged town property in Neoga.

Afterward, it is said, he transferred it to a man named Morris at Olney, alleged to be a confederate. He then sold the same property to Jacob Steger, of Neoga, receiving \$500 in cash and giving a quitclaim deed to the same. When Steger learned of the deception, he sought restitution from Thompson, which was refused. Steger had Thompson arrested on a charge of conveying false title and obtaining money under false pretenses.

Bodies Must Meet Conjointly.

Mattoon, Ills., Dec. 18.—George A. Seeley, grand patriarch of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Illinois, has decided that the action by the grand lodge at Springfield recently to separate sessions of the grand lodge and grand encampment is unconstitutional. The meeting of the grand encampment to be held in Mattoon in May, 1901, is declared off. Both bodies of the order will meet conjointly in Springfield the second Tuesday in 1901. The grand patriarch says the measure to make the change failed to have the necessary two-thirds vote.

Stones Thrown at a Train.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—Mrs. F. E. Bell, of Des Moines, a passenger on an incoming suburban train on the Chicago and Northwestern railway, was injured yesterday by a stone thrown by an unknown person as the train was passing West Division street. A young boy was also badly cut by the flying glass, the stone which injured Mrs. Bell smashing the entire pane of glass and showering it over other passengers. One man was arrested Saturday for a similar offense.

Leaves \$5,000,000 to Divide.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—The will of the late George A. Fuller, filed in the probate court yesterday, distributes the testator's estate among the near relatives and leaves the greater part of it to the widow and two daughters. There was no petition for letters testamentary filed with the will, and consequently the value of the estate is not stated, but it is understood that it will amount to more than \$2,000,000.

Killed His Men with a Cue.

Peoria, Ills., Dec. 18.—The jury rendered a verdict of guilty of manslaughter against William Dooley. Dooley quarreled with Charles White over a game of pool on July 22 and struck White with a billiard cue. White died soon after. Dooley was sentenced to an indeterminate period in the state reformatory.

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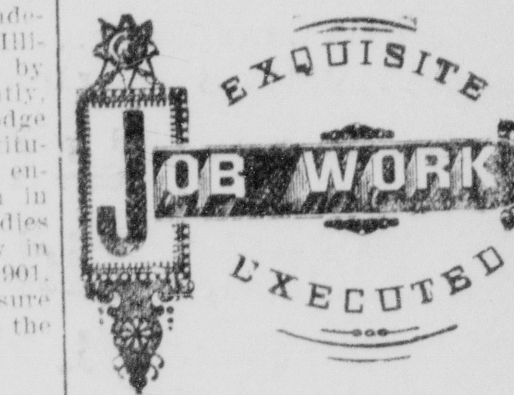
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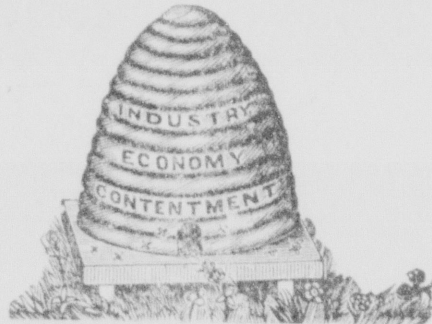
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FOR BETTER STATE ROADS.

Bill to be introduced in Legislature to
Remedy State Thorofares.

At the next meeting of the state legislature a hard roads bill will be presented in which the people of the state will take more than ordinary interest. Along the banks of the drainage canal are large piles of stone, which serve no purpose, but which, if distributed, would insure good roads in nearly the entire state. This stone is the regular lime rock which is used in macadamizing and is of the best quality.

At present the drainage boards exercise ownership over the vast pile of excavation, but the board has no use for the stone and in all probability would be glad to have it removed.

It is the present purpose of the sanitary board to apply to the state at the next session of the legislature for an appropriation, and if the legislature regards the petition with favor another bill is to be presented which will ask that in consideration of an appropriation the drainage district will relinquish all claim to the stone along the banks of the drainage canal. The bill will further provide that the stone shall be the property of the state, and upon payment of so much per yard by a district or township, municipality, or otherwise, hard roads will be built by the state wherever designated.

One of the important features of the bill is the provision for convict labor. The bill will provide that whenever a certain district in the state arranges for a strip of hard roads a prison gang will be delegated to do the work.

Merely Suggestive.

It will now appear that McKinley, as is indicated in his message, has enough good "horse sense" to establish a stable government in the Philippine Islands.

"Consider the lilies"—how very expensive they are at this time of the year.

The football player's flight of fancy is the result of a soar head.

"One good turn deserves another," as the economical Dixon woman said when she made over that dress.

Speaking of spirits, we have a Dixon barkeeper who is a good medium.

The drinker will swear off again. When the old year is gone. But the man who uses words profane Will probably swear on.

The pangs of the Populists will be deplorable when they learn that W. J. Bryan has appeared in a dress suit.

The cabinet re-organization rumor from Washington has no foundation in fact, probably. At all events a new cabinet will have no Altgeld, Pettigrew or Croker in it, rest assured.

When the corset drummer was asked by the lady clerk his line of goods he said "jewel cases;" and the girl said it would be a tight squeeze to sell any there.

She looked with dismay at the result of her baking. And remarked, with tears in her eyes,

"If this really is angel cake I have been making. Then why in the world don't it rise?"

Paste It in Your Hat.

The following notice was found in one of the offices in the city, which serves as a reminder to the professional time killer:

LOST:

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Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage license was granted today:

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Miss Nina Stevenson	Ashton	

—General Superintendent C. A. Marshall of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. is here on business.

—Advertisements changed this evening: Golden Rule Shoe Store; O. H. Brown & Co.

ACCIDENT ON THE CENTRAL.

Engineer Chas. Fessler Badly Injured
and Brakeman Joe Allen Has
A Narrow Escape.

Two Freeport railroad men (says the Freeport Democrat) had narrow calls for their lives on the "south end" of the Illinois Central Sunday, but by good luck both escaped with only bruises, though those are rather bad ones.

Engineer Charles Fessler, of the Amboy division, who makes his home in Freeport, was hurt at LaSalle. His engine was taking coal, and one binful had been emptied into the tender. Thinking that the job was finished, the engineer stepped back into the tender just as the second bin was dumped and a good portion of the heavy load fell upon him. He was very badly bruised about the head and shoulders, but it is believed that he escaped broken bones and internal injuries. He was taken to a hotel, and Mrs. Fessler went to LaSalle to attend him.

Brakeman Joe Allen was the second one to have trouble, and his accident occurred at Amboy Sunday night, or rather Monday morning. Allen was on the top of a box car when the train started to pull out of Amboy, and the jerk threw him off his feet. He went down between two cars, but fell upon the bumpers and hung there. A few inches in either direction would have thrown him under the wheels, and as it is he is nursing a very badly bruised leg.

DISAPPOINTED HOPES.

The Course of True Love Runs Up
Against an Obstruction.

The Sterling Gazette says that an elopement of that city was nipped in the bud yesterday morning at the Northwestern depot by the irate parents of the prospective bride. Lundy Warner has been keeping company with Miss Edna Bloom for some time, to which Mr. and Mrs. Bloom have objected, saying the young lady was too young. Yesterday morning Warner and Miss Bloom took matters into their own hands and decided to go to Iowa and have the knot tied. They went to the Northwestern depot and were waiting for the train when the irate parents of the girl, who had been hunting for their daughter, appeared upon the scene and checkmated the elopement, taking the girl home with them.

Miss Bloom and Warner both live on locust street just outside of the city limits. Miss Bloom was just seventeen years old yesterday and is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernhard Bloom.

Grand Opera in Chicago.

The Metropolitan English Grand Opera Company under the direction of Mr. Maurice Grau and Mr. Henry W. Savage, and direct from the Metropolitan Opera House, New York, where it has just concluded a successful season of eleven weeks, will inaugurate a two weeks season of opera at the Auditorium, Chicago, commencing Monday, Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th, continuing until Saturday, Jan. 5, with special matinees on Christmas and New Year's days and Saturdays. The company includes, in addition to an all-American chorus of 100, an orchestra of fifty and a ballet of thirty, the following distinguished artists: Misses Ingeborg Ballstrom, Kate Condon, Grace Golden, Zelle de Lussan, Louise Meisslinger, Della Niven, Phoebe Strakosch, Grace Studdiford, Fanchon Thompson. Messrs. Philip Brozel, Forrest Carr, Lloyd d'Aubigne, Harry Davies, Winfred Goff, E. N. Knight, Homer Lind, William Paull, Lampriere Pringle, Joseph F. Sheehan, Clarence Whitehill.

The repertoire for the two weeks has been arranged as follows: Christmas eve, "Aida;" Tuesday, Christmas day matinee, "Martha;" Christmas night, "The Bohemian Girl;" Wednesday evening, "Carmen;" Thursday, "Mignon;" Friday, "Lohengrin;" Saturday matinee, "Faust;" Saturday night, "Il Trovatore;" Monday, New Year's eve, "Esmeralda;" (first time in city of Chicago); Tuesday matinee, New Year's day, "The Mikado" (with a grand opera cast); Tuesday evening, New Year's night, "Aida;" Wednesday evening, "Faust;" Thursday, "Carmen;" Friday, "Il Trovatore;" Saturday matinee, "Romeo and Juliet;" Saturday night, double bill, "Cavalleria Rusticana" and "Pagliacci" (with two great casts). The scenery, costumes and accessories employed at the Metropolitan Opera House will be brought in their entirety for these performances in Chicago.

Excursion Rates for the Holidays.

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—W. C. Harbet was in Polo yesterday.
—George Robinson is here from East Inlet.
—Horace Lyon is here from Lee Center.
—I. R. Patterson, J. P., is up from Amboy.
—J. W. Goudy of Bloomington was here yesterday.
—Constable Dell Virgil of Amboy is here on business.
—Barney Bushman of Walton was in town this morning.
—Attorney H. S. Dixon went to Chicago this morning.
—A. A. Mekeel of Harmon was here yesterday on business.
—A son was born this morning to Mr. and Mrs. John Stuck of Palmyra.
—Harvey H. Carr of Mt. Morris was attending to business in the city today.
—Solomon Sunday and Peter Bruner were down from Franklin Grove today.
—Harry Plein of Sterling was here yesterday visiting at the Charlie Scott home.
—Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Withey and daughter are down from Franklin Grove.

—Kagle Plein and J. W. Kelley drove to Harmon today to attend the grand opening.
—Miss Jennie Laing is clerking at S. S. Dodge's jewelry store during the holiday trade.
—Wilbur Gitt and Wm. Flanagan were in Palmyra yesterday attending a turkey shoot.
—Mrs. B. F. Brooks has purchased the Frank Curran home in Dement town. The deal was consummated this morning.
—D. F. Lahman, who runs a large poultry-dressing establishment at Franklin Grove, was here today gathering up barrels from our merchants.
—Prof. J. H. Lloyd will give his illustrated lecture on his European tour at Emanuel church Friday evening, Dec. 21, for the benefit of the church fund.

—The Plymouth Clothing and Shoe House has a large sheet announcement folded in tonight's paper, which cannot escape the attention of our readers.
—In the front window of Joe Petersberger's clothing store can be seen a beautiful imitation of a cathedral at night. This unique piece of work was designed by Julius Hershfield and the painting was done by William Hathaway.
—The Workingmen's Protective Association will hold a meeting next Thursday evening in Kearney hall. It is reported that \$2700 work of stock is already subscribed. A canvass is being made among the farmers for the sale of stock and the expectation is to open a store about Feb. 1st.

—We rather think the Sterling tailors are getting tired of belonging to the International Tailors' union. At any rate they have decided not to strike because of the hiring of non-union help by a number of the boss tailors. The business agent of the organization was expected there today to try and adjust the difficulty.
—J. D. Auman, brother of Mrs. O. S. App of this city, died yesterday morning at 3 o'clock at his home in Elgin. He was a printer in the office of the Elgin Courier. The funeral will be held Thursday. Mrs. App went to Elgin last evening and Mr. App will go tomorrow to attend the funeral.

Monday, December 24

Oliver Scott's Big Minstrels, traveling on their own train of place cars, and with their own brass band and superb orchestra, are billed to appear at the Dixon opera house, Monday, Dec. 24. This company comes highly recommended by the press of other cities, they have had a continuous succession of triumphs since their inauguration of their tour two years ago. The company is composed of nearly the same people who were first brought together by Al. G. Field, some forty genuine negroes, which played thru the U. S. for three seasons under the title of Al. G. Field Real Negro Minstrels.
This company in the main were here in October, 1898, and pleased. Prices 25, 35 and 50 cents.

Property Transfers.

Moses C. Weyburn to Johnson & Avery, pt nwg sec 32 Dixon—\$13000.
Annie E. Dow to Mattie H. Wicker, lot 6 and 7 b 17 Franklin Grove—\$2700.
Anna M. Younggren to John Johnson, lot 9 b Wyman's add Amboy—\$400.
Wm. A. Stiles to W. M. McGuirk, qcd pt swq 5 East Grove—\$1.
Philip Helmman to Loran Helmman, pt swq pt sec 22 Brooklyn—\$13200.
Heirs of Mark Edwards to Blanche Connors 1 s b 35 Wyman's add Amboy—\$350.
Jerre Drew to John P. Drew, qcd pt sec 37 pt swq sec 26 pt neq sec 34 pt nwg sec 35 Palmyra

SUBURBAN SIFTINGS.

Hints and Happenances in Surrounding Towns and Villages.

BRADFORD
Dec. 15.—J. E. Henry will hold a sale Tuesday Dec. 18.
Some of the farmers are marketing their corn and oats.
Wm. Ventler will run the home farm next year.
Henry Vaupel has got a fine herd of White-Faces.
Captain Frost expects to spend the winter in the south.
Farmers on the swamp are still haking corn.
Henry Hart was in Amboy this week.
Miss Katie Kiesthardt of Hazelton, Pa. is visiting in this vicinity.
Jamieson of Amboy was in Bradford this week buying poultry, chickens five and one half cents a pound and turkeys six and one half cents a pound. There is a poor turkey market this year.
Mrs. Fred Mulhouse was called to Dyars, Iowa, by the illness of her mother.
Squire Henry will move to West Brooklyn the last of the month. The Squire, after many years' hard labor on the farm has earned the rest he will enjoy.
Carl Schaffer, an old resident of Bradford died, in Ashton last Monday.

WILLOW CREEK.

Dec. 17.—There will be an entertainment in Woodman hall Dec. 20.
M. P. Harris is speedily improving at present.
Arrangements are being made for a Christmas tree at the German Evangelical church.
Miss Bertha Lutz is visiting in New Jersey and Pennsylvania for a few months.
Miss Mary Rogdy will depart for the West soon to visit.
Biting dogs are getting plentiful.
Will Winterton bot over 100 ducks last week and shipped them.
Contracted corn is fast coming in, ranging in price from 29 to 32 cents per bushel.
Martin Michaels is gathering poultry for George Farrell.
Wick Winterton departed for Norway last Monday.
Misses Annie and Bertie Green of DeKalb county, visited at F. Erbes' Sunday.
A 15-year-old-son of Ed Hopps, south of here, met his death by riding a bronco into a barb wire fence.
The Youngren brothers have been shelling corn in Willow Creek.
George Cutts has made some convenient changes in his store.
Quite a few of our people are joining the Mystic Workers at Steward.

THE BEND.

Dec. 17.—The shedders have finished all work in this vicinity.
Mrs. H. Starry has been very ill, but is able to be about.
Mrs. Jno Blackman entertained Mrs. M. Leach and daughter, Martha, last Thursday to dinner.
Chickenbuyers are paying 6 cents for chickens, so they say.
There has been a number of chickens stolen in these parts and at one place the thieves were kind enough to leave their mittens.
Our teacher attended the institute Friday.
Will Rink has finished a part of the new road.
C. Statfield, R. Hendrix and a son, George, were guests of T. Rosbrook, Sunday.
James E. Bennett left for Chicago Monday on business.
Strange that the milk inspector will tell a certain young lady in this neighborhood that she beats the record on neat milk houses.
Geo. Rosbrook drove to Nelson Sunday.
Dick Brierton had his eye severely hurt playing football.
We are sorry to hear of Mount Union correspondent's misfortune, hope she will soon recover.
Sam McCordle is selling sachet powder and perfume to many in the Bend.
Lester Heaton and Winn Brink have been exchanging visits.

ASHTON.

Dec. 17.—Harry Missman and Addison Goodman have gone to LaMoille to attend the funeral of a comrade in the Spanish war.
Miss Anna Greves is very sick with diphtheria.
Mrs. James Drummond and daughter returned with the lady's parents to Leaf River where she will spend a few weeks.
John and Mary Charters are home from Cornell College, Iowa, to spend the holidays.
Miss Myrtle Hardesty of Dixon spent Sunday with Ashton friends.
Walter Beachley and Elias Moats stopped over at Ashton this week on their way to their former home at Hagerstown, Md.

NELSON.

Dec. 17.—Mrs. Staumberg, mother of Mrs. Delk Miller, expired at the home of her daughter, Sunday, Dec. 16, aged 92 years. For the past several years she had almost constant care from her daughter and family, her illness caused by the infirmities of old age. Funeral will occur Tuesday at 1 o'clock from the home of Delk Miller.
J. B. Stitzel has been quite ill the past few days.
Miss Flora Kirk attended the teachers' institute in Dixon Friday and Saturday.
Arrangements are being made to have a Christmas tree on Christmas eve, and the school children will give

a program. All cordially invited and also to bring presents to place on the tree for your friends.
Mrs. Jas. Johnson of Grafton, Neb., has arrived to spend several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Thome, and other relatives.
Earl Stitzel was ill the past week with tonsillitis.
Mrs. A. Facey has returned to her home in Clinton, Iowa.
The Hay sale was well attended. Henry Thome and Henry Elgin purchased milch cows.
Mrs. J. W. Conard and son, Elmer, of Austin spent a few days at the J. B. and M. C. Stitzel home.
The David Lease sale Thursday, Dec. 20, should be well attended.

HARMON.

Dec. 17.—Old Mr. Sullivan, who had his leg injured, is getting along as well as could be expected for an old man.
The saloons seem to be well patronized at present in our town.
Patrick Daly stops in our town at present.
They have been repairing our dilapidated sidewalks.
The new Methodist minister expects to remain in town during the holidays.
John Sullivan has been here to see his father, who is injured.
John Heaton and brother-in-law expect to leave soon for Southern Kansas.
Mr. Bozenalers expects to move to Michigan about Jan. 1.
Geo. Renwick, who had a sale last week, expects soon to move to town and go into the butcher business.
Geo. Seabans has rented the Thomas Scanlan farm he purchased from Geo. W. Hill.
We are to have our streets lighted with gasoline lamps shortly.
Several carloads of stock were shipped from here to Chicago markets last week.
Kugler Bros. have a new cob and corn grinder to accommodate the farmers.
The talk is that there will be a series of meetings held at the M. E. church during the holidays.
The Purcell boys are running a corn sheller and a shredder and are kept busy most of the time.
Henry Martin talks some of starting a shoe shop in Harmon.

NACHUSA.

Dec. 17.—Mr. and Mrs. William Herrick of Dixon visited with Mrs. C. C. Parker of this place Sunday.
L. C. Henderson was in DeKalb Wednesday.
The Kingdom quartette rendered some of their fine selections at the Nachusa Literary society Friday evening.
Fred Eicholtz has been visiting friends here the past few days.
The program committee of the Nachusa literary society promises a very good program for the next meeting which will be held in the Nachusa school house Friday, Dec. 28. All are cordially invited.
Rumor says that there will be a wedding south of Nachusa the 27th of this month.
Mrs. J. B. Eicholtz entertained Mrs. Barkman and Mrs. Wingert from Franklin Grove, Thursday.
There will be a shooting match held at this place Tuesday, Dec. 18.

REYNOLDS.

Dec. 17.—Miss Gilbert was in Franklin Grove visiting her parents over Sunday.
E. H. Weiner was in Rochelle Saturday.
Rev. Stage held a revival meeting in Ashton Sunday evening.
Mr. Klanka was in Ashton Sunday evening.
Peter O'Malley visited friends in Dixon Sunday.
Jake Henert was in Ashton on business Monday.
J. W. Griese was in Ashton Monday evening.
John Lauer was in Rochelle Saturday.
There will be an entertainment at the Stoue Ridge school Thursday evening.
Harry Newman and family of Bradford visited at J. W. Griese's Sunday.
There will be an entertainment at the Kersten school next Friday evening.
Chas. Wagner was in Ashton Friday evening.
Adam Messer was in Dixon on business Friday evening.
Messrs. Chas. Manz and Martin Smith were Rochelle visitors Saturday.

Report of School District No. 4, Reynolds, for the month ending, Dec. 12:
Number of girls enrolled 12
" of boys 17
Average daily attendance 25
Pupils who were neither absent or tardy during the month were Mabel Weiner, Oscar Weiner, Dora Schnell and Harry Wagner.
Those who missed one day during the month were Bessie Hewett, Nettie Hewett, Ella Hennert, Emma Vogeler, Henry Vogeler and John Walters.
PETER J. O'MALLEY, Teacher.

Henry Lachs was in Ashton on business Monday.
—Will Wiener was in Rochelle Saturday.

Excursion Rates for the Holidays.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at low rates to points on the North-Western system east of the Missouri river and Davenport, Rock Island & North-Western R'y, within 200 miles of selling station, December 24, 25, 31 and January 2, inclusive. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

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Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. J. W. Gardner, of Leaville, Ind., says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he don't care whether he lives or dies." It gave me new strength and good appetite. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life. Only 50 cents, at Rowland Bros' Drug Store. 12

Paid Dear for His Leg.

B. D. Blanton of Thackerville, Tex., in two years paid over \$300.00 to cure a Running Sore on his leg. Then they wanted to cut it off, but he cured it with one box of Backlen's Arnica Salve. Guaranteed cure for Piles, 25 cts a box. Sold by Rowland Bros., druggists. 12

A Keen Clear Brain.

Your best feelings, your social position or business success depend largely on the perfect action of your Stomach and Liver. Dr. King's New Liver Pills give increased strength, a keen, clear high ambition. A 25 cent box will make you feel like a new being. Sold by Rowland Bros. 12

How to Cure Croup.

Mr. R. Gray, who lives near Amesia, Duchesne county, N. Y., says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best medicine I have ever used. It is a fine children's remedy for croup and never fails to cure." When given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croup cough has developed, it will prevent the attack. This should be borne in mind and a bottle of the Cough Remedy kept at hand ready for instant use as soon as these symptoms appear. For sale by Rowland Bros. 12

Approved by Time.

It is now thirty years since the wonderful curative powers of Bethesda Mineral Spring Water were discovered. Thousands have visited the Springs at Waukesha, Wisconsin, and hundreds of thousands of sufferers from kidney troubles have been relieved and cured by using the water in their own homes. Sold in sealed half-gallon bottles by all first-class druggists. A. M. Jones, President, Bethesda Mineral Spring Co., Waukesha, Wis. 2

Among the tens of thousands who have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for colds and la grippe during the past few years, to our knowledge, not a single case has resulted in pneumonia. Thos. Whitfield & Co., 240 Wabash avenue, Chicago, one of the most prominent retail druggists in that city, in speaking of this, says: "We recommend Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for la grippe in many cases, as it not only gives prompt and complete recovery, but also counteracts any tendency of la grippe to result in pneumonia." For sale by Rowland Bros. 2

Fire Bugs, \$200 Reward!

The undersigned Association of premium payers are maintaining a fund out of which is offered a REWARD OF \$200 for the arrest and conviction of any incendiary in any of the associated towns. The numerous fires in the country at large and the resulting fire sales of damaged merchandise are a heavy burden on the property and business interests of the State. PROPERTY OWNERS' FIRE ASSOCIATION. 2661y

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A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound to the affected parts is superior to any plaster. When troubled with lame back or pains in the side or chest, give it a trial and you are certain to be more than pleased with the prompt relief which it affords. Pain Balm also cures rheumatism. One application gives relief. For sale by Rowland Bros. 12

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THE O.D. OAK TREE.

The sweetest thing of earth to me
Is the south wind in the old oak tree.
It moves the branches to and fro;
The shadows dance on the grass below.
The leaves move lightly in the air;
Their rustle seems a whispered prayer.
Deep in the tangled grass I lie,
Seeing but glimpses of the sky.
So thick the green leaves are above,
So light, so soft the breeze moves.
I wonder not that men have stood
Before some giant of the wood
And made it of their prayers a shrine,
Deeming it held a soul divine.
—Nietzsche M. Lowater in New York Sun.

THE WINDOWS OPPOSITE

BY CHARLES B. LEWIS.

I had been knocked down by a cab on the streets of Paris and taken to a hospital. I was hurt about the head and shoulders, and, though I had no broken bones to mend, I was so badly bruised that the surgeon told me I wouldn't get out for a month. Hard up though I was in a financial sense, I had enough money in my pocket to get me into a pay ward, and they gave me one of the 14 cots on the third floor front. It was summer, and I was close to the seventh window, counting from the left.

The routine of a hospital for an injured man is a monotonous one. After the first three or four days they put me on full diet and gave me books to read, but I could not leave my bed, and it was against the rules to converse with the other patients. It was read, sleep, think and plan, with one visit a day from the surgeon. I could not see the street from my window as I sat propped up on my cot. The only sight to greet my vision was a quaint old house opposite. The structure was two stories high, and I could see the upper halves of four windows. The house looked to have been built 100 years ago and was in a sad state of neglect and untenanted. I don't know why I should have been interested in that house except that a sick man will turn to the veriest trifle to make a diversion. I saw by the state of the windows that the house was tenanted, and yet I had the curiosity to question the nurse about it.

"That house has been empty for many years," she replied, "and as it is in law it will probably fall down before the heirs come into possession. You cannot see that far down, but the lower doors and windows are boarded up to keep tramps out. I have often wondered if the place has not a ghost."

I fell into the habit of watching those four windows as closely as if I had been employed as a watchman. It seemed that if I waited long enough I should see a face at one of them. When evening came, there was an electric light somewhere which struck the front of the old house, and I would watch those windows until the nurse enjoined me to turn away and go to sleep. It got so at last that I felt certain of making a discovery, and one evening, when I had been in the hospital nine or ten days, the face I had looked for appeared at one of the middle windows. It was that of a man.

The window was 150 feet from me, but by the assistance of the electric light I made out the face very clearly. It came into view gradually, as if the man slowly advanced across the room, and it remained at the paneless sash for a full minute. It was the face of an evil man. It was dark and bearded, and the eyes traveled up and down and across the street as if looking for danger. Whoever the man was he was no tramp, nor had he a lawful right in that house. As he left the window I called to the nurse and told her of his presence, but she laughed and replied:

"Ah, but we are not to concern ourselves about what goes on over there. If it is some prowler who has broken in, the police must take care of him."

I now had something to occupy my full attention, and I gave up everything to watch the windows opposite. Nothing appeared next day, but at about half past 8 o'clock in the evening I saw the same face again. There was more boldness in the way the man approached the window, and he seemed to feel himself more secure as he surveyed the street. If he were not a fugitive in hiding, why should he be taking peeps at the neighborhood? A vagabond, having entered to obtain shelter for the night, would keep clear of the windows. On this second night the man seemed to be looking intently at the sidewalk running in front of the hospital, and by and by he started and turned away as if he had received some signal. When the nurse came, I told her of the incident. She was as much amused as before.

"You certainly have a mind for mysteries," she laughed, "but if you become too interested you will develop a fever and have a pullback. When you are able to leave us, you can tell the police about the man, who will probably turn out to be a shadow."

I gave the windows but little attention in the daytime after that. The face appeared on the third evening at the same hour, and I felt so sure that a confederate made signals from the sidewalk that I took a convalescent in to my confidence. He was an old soldier who was being treated for an old wound and was allowed the run of the place. I told him of the face and the confederate, and he was interested at once. It was arranged that he should be in front of the hospital at half past 8 and watch for the confederate, and luck attended him. He saw a well dressed but evil looking man make signals to the man at the window. The signals were made with a folded newspaper and would not have been noticed by any one not on the watch for them. "Now, then," said the old soldier as

he returned and reported, "we have mystery on hand. Luck has thrown it in our way that we may make a few goldpieces. Let us work it out together and share the reward."

None of us in the ward had seen a newspaper for a week. They were not interdicted, but none of the patients seemed to care for outside news. Next morning the soldier went out and purchased the journals for the previous five or six days, and as we looked them over we struck a sensation. A boy 10 years old, the son of a rich iron founder, had been kidnapped and spirited away, and it was stated that the whole police force of Paris was on the quiver. The kidnapping had taken place three days before I saw the face at the window, and I was arguing that our mystery could have nothing to do with it when the soldier said:

"It is at least 12 miles from here where the lad was picked up. He was probably hidden somewhere else for a day or two, but the scent got so hot that he was moved. Don't you fear that he is not in the old house opposite at this very moment?"

"Then we should inform the police," "Pooh! We must wait for a reward to be announced. Never slap luck in the face."

On the fourth night and fifth night the face appeared at the window at the usual hour, and the same man made the usual signals. As the police were yet at fault, those signals must have meant that things were all right for the kidnapers. It was now eight days since the boy was taken, and as no trace could be had of him it was believed that he had been killed or taken out of the country. The papers gave it to the police pretty hot, and it was intimated that the father was ready to pay almost any sum to have his child restored.

"Now we are coming nearer to it," said the old veteran. "What the kidnapers have been waiting for is the reward, but we must be ahead of them. You have some money, but I have none. You must give me enough to take me across Paris to the father."

It had come to be understood in our corridor that we had some scheme, but we refused to answer any questions. The soldier started off one morning, and before noon he was holding an interview with the father of the abducted boy. The distracted man was willing to give his last franc, but the soldier stopped at 3:00. He got a promise in writing that he should be paid that sum when the boy was delivered up, and then he went to the police to find if there was a reward for any particularly desperate character. There was. It was believed in police circles that the kidnapers were two escaped convicts, and there was a reward of 10,000 francs on the head of either. When it had been agreed to give him half the reward, the veteran gave our mystery away. The police waited until evening and then caught the confederate on the street after he had signaled his "All right." Half an hour later they surrounded the old house, broke their way in and not only found the other convict, but found the kidnapped boy a prisoner in one of the rooms. The lad had been fairly well treated, but had been closely guarded every hour since he had come into the man's hands. He had seen only that one man and had been told that he would be set at liberty when his father had paid 50,000 francs as a reward.

The old soldier divided fairly with me, and we were not only enriched by the double reward, but were the means of returning to custody two as desperate criminals as ever broke bars. It was considered an incomprehensible thing around the hospital, and doctor, nurse and fellow patients were never tired of saying:

"How strange! You lie in your bed and look at the windows of an old house across the way, and, lo, there come 15,000 francs rolling in to you!" (Copyright, 1900, by C. B. Lewis.)

Man and Beast.

Nothing can be so terrible to an animal as a human being. There are times when the brute seems to recognize instinctively that man belongs to a higher order of creation and is stricken with a feeling akin to awe in his presence.

In a small African village, some years ago, there was a scare about some leopards which were said to have killed a number of goats. Accordingly two white men, accompanied by several natives, set off to hunt them. Presently they found a place in the long grass where it was evident that one of the brutes had recently lain, for the ground was still warm.

The natives formed a ring round it, and the hunters got their guns ready. After a little while the leopard emerged from the long grass and was fired at and wounded, but not fatally. With a great bound he sprang on one of the white men and brought him to the ground. Holding his victim, he turned and growled savagely at the others.

The natives gave a wild yell of fear, and then like a shot the leopard sprang away. He had not been frightened by the guns, but the yell terrified him.—Youth's Companion.

A Curious Calculation.

The following table shows the number of changes that can be rung on bells of bells ranging from 4 to 12:

On peal of 4 bells.....	24 changes
On peal of 5 bells.....	120 changes
On peal of 6 bells.....	720 changes
On peal of 7 bells.....	5,040 changes
On peal of 8 bells.....	40,320 changes
On peal of 9 bells.....	362,880 changes
On peal of 10 bells.....	3,628,800 changes
On peal of 11 bells.....	39,916,800 changes
On peal of 12 bells.....	479,001,600 changes

—Pearson's Weekly.

Usefulness of Enemies.

The Old Stager—Young man, if you would be successful, you must do two things—first, get some enemies. The Aspirant—And second? The Old Stager—Second, irritate them so that they will make you prominent.—Harper's Bazar.

A MIDNIGHT BURIAL.

TRUE STORY OF THE FIRST MASONIC FUNERAL IN ARIZONA.

Owing to a Sequence of Peculiar Incidents the Ceremony Was Delayed and Was Not Completed Until the Sun Peeped Over the Hills.

The following true narrative of the first Masonic burial in Arizona, as related to me by my old friend, Colonel W. M. Williams of Cairo, Ill., will doubtless interest your readers. I give it, as nearly as possible, in his own words:

In 1890 I was in Arizona as superintendent of the St. Louis Mining company, located on the San Pedro river, a short distance west of what is now known as Tombstone and 40 miles east of Fort Buchanan.

On one occasion I made a visit to the Santa Rita mines, located in another part of the territory. These were managed by Cincinnati parties and were known as the Heintzman mines. When I arrived there and introduced myself, as none of us had ever met before, I was greeted with that cordial hospitality known only to those who have lived on the frontier or in mining camps by Mr. H. C. Grosvenor of Cincinnati, the superintendent, with two others who occupied positions at the mines.

One of these, Mr. J. T. Mason, I found seriously indisposed; the other I sent to Fort Buchanan to bring Dr. J. B. D. Irwin, surgeon at the post. I then devoted my time to the sick man, who was growing more feeble each hour. He told me if he died he wanted to be buried with Masonic honors.

I had "tried" him and found him to be a bright third degree Mason. I promised to do all I could to carry out his request. He died before morning, and the messenger sent for the doctor had not returned, and it was uncertain as to when, if ever, he might return.

As in those days there were not over 65 Americans in the territory outside of the troops, the taking of life by the Indians was daily expected. In this emergency it devolved upon me to arrange for the burial of our friend. I sent peon messengers to Tubac and other places where Americans were known to be to come to my aid.

During the day I selected a beautiful spot overshadowed by a large mesquite tree and there had a very deep grave dug, as in that country the coyote is a kind of hyena, that will unearth any corpse if not laid deep in the ground. This work was done by peons, while I stood guard to keep the Indians from surprising us.

By midnight the messengers I had sent out commenced returning with the few who could come with them. I found among those who arrived two or three Masons, who, like myself, were "rusty" in the Masonic burial ritual. We opened the trunk of the deceased, hoping to find something to guide us in fulfilling his last request. The only thing we discovered was an Episcopal ritual. The following persons composed the funeral cortege: Dr. C. B. Hughes, J. Howard Wells, William S. Oury, H. C. Grosvenor, Colonel Titus, S. Warner and myself.

We had determined to bury the body at night, in the darkness, having no light except a candle in one of the old time perforated tin lanterns by which I could read the service.

After lowering the body into the grave I commenced to read the service. I stood close to the head of the grave, and Mr. Howard Wells held the lantern behind me. A rustling sound was heard. It was supposed to come from lurking Indians, and every one looked out for himself. The man holding the lantern dropped it into the grave, and I fell in after it.

There I was with the corpse in a deep grave, I had my pistols and Sharp's carbine with me, and I realized that if the Indians peered into the grave I could fill it with dead bodies. I listened. Not a sound was heard. My companions had, I suppose, secreted themselves and no doubt thought I had done the same.

After the lapse of about four hours day began to dawn, and as I stood upon the corpse (no coffins were in use in Arizona at the time of this occurrence, the dead being simply wrapped in their blankets) and cautiously looked over the brink of the grave to take in the surroundings.

I soon saw my comrades, one by one, emerging from behind rocks, where they had hastily secreted themselves, no one knowing where the others were. I called aloud for help and was soon assisted from the prison in which I had been confined for fully four hours, and as this is the first Masonic funeral that was ever held in Arizona I think it deserves a record.

After comparing notes we discovered that the mesquite tree under which we were holding our solemn service was the roosting place of a colony of crows, our intrusion having disturbed them and thereby causing us to stampede.

As the sun rose above the mountain tops we returned to the grave and completed the reading of the ritual and covered our friend with the clouds of the valley and left him sleeping where he will rest until the resurrection morn.—Evelyn B. Baldwin in New York Masonic Standard.

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REMARKABLE LUNACY.

Sufferer Walks Miles Without Food or Sleep and Robs a Church.

Stevens Point, Wis., Dec. 18.—A remarkable case of temporary insanity developed last week in the actions of Mrs. Fred Doll, of Marshfield. She left her home in that city Monday morning, saying she was going to Alton, near Milwaukee, to visit some of her relatives. She did not again attract attention until Tuesday afternoon, when the priest of the Polish Roman Catholic church at Fancher, twelve miles east of here, saw a strange woman emerging from his church carrying an armful of candles, candlesticks and other articles. He accosted her to find out what she meant by so rudely dismantling the altar, but soon found that he was talking to a crazy woman.

She was removed to the house of a neighbor, where she ate ravenously and afterward took a long sleep. At first she resisted all efforts to keep her in the house, but after resting suddenly recovered her reason, although she could not tell her name and where she lived. She was brought to this city by the sheriff and her people notified. She had walked the entire distance from Marshfield to Fancher, fifty miles, without food, sleep, rest or extra protection from the bitter cold.

BOOZ INQUIRY COMMENCES.

Military Court Trying to Unearth or Kill a West Point Scandal.

Philadelphia, Dec. 18.—The taking of testimony in the case of Oscar L. Booz, the West Point cadet who died two weeks ago from injuries which his parents allege were inflicted at the West Point military academy, was begun yesterday by the board of inquiry appointed by the secretary of war. Three sessions were held during the day, two at Bristol, the home of the Booz family, and a short session in this city in the late afternoon. The court sat in the study of Rev. Dr. Alexander Allison, the pastor of the Bristol Presbyterian church, which adjoins the Booz homestead.

The witnesses called were William H. Booz, father; Mrs. Sarah Booz, mother; Nellie Booz, sister—of the young man; Rev. Dr. Allison; Dr. Weaver, a Bristol physician who attended Oscar Booz, and several others. The testimony was to the effect that Oscar was a truthful boy, and that he had written home—and repeated it orally when he returned home—that his seniors were abusing him and had forced him to swallow tobacco sauce more than once, besides ill-treating him in other ways.

Better Buy Oleomargarine.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 18.—The high price of butter in Iowa is bringing into the state large quantities of inferior butter that has been worked over, colored and deodorized with drugs to take out the offensive smell. The price of first class creamery butter is 30 cents a pound in the retail stores, but this stuff is being worked off at several cents a pound less. The dealers make a much larger profit on it than on the pure creamery.

Daughter Did Not Know the Truth.

Indianapolis, Dec. 18.—W. F. Gibson, supreme trustee of the Order of Chosen Friends, said when asked about the denial of the shortage in the accounts of William B. Wilson, of New York, N. J., made by his daughter, said there was a shortage. He added: "The discovery of the shortage resulted from the confession made by Mr. Wilson to Mr. Linn, and was kept from the daughter, who makes this denial."

No More Boxing at Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—There will be no more prize fights held in Chicago, unless Mayor Harrison vetoes an anti-fight resolution almost unanimously adopted by the city council last night. It was passed because of the cry of "fake" raised over the McGovern-Gans go.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago Grain and Produce.

Chicago, Dec. 17.				
Following were the quotations on the Board of Trade today:				
Wheat—	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	69 1/2	70	69 3/4	70
January	70 1/2	71	70 1/4	71
February	71 1/2	72	71 1/4	72
May	73 1/2	74	73 1/4	74
Barley—				
December	37 1/2	38	37 1/4	38
January	38 1/2	39	38 1/4	39
May	40 1/2	41	40 1/4	41
Oats—				
December	21 1/2	22	21 1/4	22
January	22 1/2	23	22 1/4	23
May	24 1/2	25	24 1/4	25
Pork—				
January	12 1/2	12 3/4	12 1/4	12 3/4
May	12 1/2	12 3/4	12 1/4	12 3/4
Lard—				
December	7 1/2	7 3/4	7 1/4	7 3/4
January	6 5/8	6 7/8	6 5/16	6 7/8
May	6 3/4	6 7/8	6 3/8	6 7/8
Short Ribs—				
December	6 1/2	6 3/4	6 1/4	6 3/4
January	6 1/2	6 3/4	6 1/4	6 3/4
May	6 3/4	6 7/8	6 3/8	6 7/8
Produce: Butter—Extra creamery, 24c per lb; extra dairy, 20c; packing stock, 12c; Eggs—Fresh stock, 20c; Turkeys, 70c; geese, 35c; ducks, 7c; chickens, 15c; Potatoes—Fair to choice, 40c; Apples—Common to choice, 15c; Cranberries—Cape Cod, 35c; bell and bogie, 35c.				

Chicago Live Stock.

Hogs—Estimated receipts for the day, 45,000; sales, ranged at \$12.00 to \$14.50; pigs, \$4.75 to \$4.95; for light, \$4.65 to \$4.75; for rough packing, \$4.40 to \$4.50; for mixed, and \$4.75 to \$4.95 for heavy packing and shipping lots, with the bulk of the sales at \$4.80 to \$4.90.
Cattle—Estimated receipts for the day, 21,000; quotations ranged at \$6.00 to \$6.20 for Christmas steers, \$5.00 to \$5.50 for choice to extra steers, \$5.25 to \$5.60 for choice do., \$4.75 to \$5.35 for fair to good do., \$4.40 to \$4.60 for common to medium do., \$4.00 to \$4.50 for butchers' steers, \$4.50 to \$5.00 for feeders, \$2.50 to \$3.00 for cows, \$2.50 to \$3.00 for heifers, \$2.50 to \$3.00 for bulls and oxen, \$4.00 to \$4.50 for stags, \$3.00 to \$4.00 for Texas steers, and \$4.00 to \$5.00 for veal calves.
Sheep and Lambs—Estimated receipts for the day, 25,000; quotations ranged for the day at \$3.00 to \$3.50 for westerns, \$2.25 to \$3.00 for natives, \$1.50 to \$2.00 for western lambs, and \$1.25 to \$2.00 for native lambs.

Milwaukee Grain.

Wheat—Lower, No. 1 northern, 72c; No. 2 northern, 70c; No. 3 northern, 68c; Rye—Firm, No. 1, 51c; Barley—Higher, No. 2, 50c; 60c; sample, 45c; Oats—Steady, No. 2, 25c; No. 26c.

APPORTIONMENT BILL.

Difficulty of Framing a Law That Will Pass.

MAJORITY MAY CAUCUS MEASURE.

Some Members Favor Reduction of Representatives—Sentiment For a Better White House—No Financial Legislation This Session.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.—[Special.]—Chairman Hopkins of the census committee has been making arrangements for the consideration of the congressional apportionment bill under the last census. He says that the legislatures of 36 states meet this year, and they will be very much accommodated if the apportionment bill should be passed early, so that the legislatures may reapportion the states into congressional districts according to the number of members assigned them. Great difficulty is experienced in the preliminary work because the members from states where there will be a reduction in representation unless the house is largely increased are working very hard for such an increase. Other members feel that the house is now large enough as to members, while some think the membership should be reduced to 300. These conflicting opinions make it somewhat difficult to frame a law which will pass, and Mr. Hopkins may ask for a Republican caucus in order to ascertain the sentiment of the Republican members as to what is the best method of making the apportionment. Representative Crampacker of Indiana has introduced a bill which reduces the representation in southern states, where there have been enactments restricting the colored vote. There is very little sentiment in favor of this proposition, however, and the men in charge of reapportionment know that if it was seriously pressed it would carry the bill over to the next congress.

For a Better White House.

The recent celebration of the centennial of Washington is used by enterprising citizens here to secure an enlarged White House. Now, this is the curious situation in which this proposition finds itself: There is no public man of any importance who does not recognize the absolute necessity of an executive mansion more in keeping with the dignity and greatness of the country, but he will not vote a sufficient amount to have a new building provided. There is a division of sentiment as to what should be done. Some think the old building should be retained and additions put on, while the more liberal and enterprising think a complete new and commodious structure should be erected. That such a plan is best there can be no doubt, as the old building is hardly safe, and additional wings will simply make a rambling and disproportionate structure that ought not to be tolerated. While this discussion is going on the president is getting along in a residence and office that was thought sufficient 100 years ago. From the rural congressmen I sometimes hear this excuse for not building a better White House: "Well, the quarters may be a little cramped, but I haven't heard of any one refusing to live there. There are plenty of people willing to take the job, and no one is forced to live in the old place if he doesn't want to."

Nothing Doing.

From time to time there appears in the different papers a demand that the present financial law shall be amended so that there shall be no question as to the stability of the gold standard. Coupled with this demand is the assertion that during the last campaign it was shown that the law was still defective and might be avoided by an executive opposed to the gold standard. Some of these papers say that the financial question should be entirely removed from politics of the future. While this may all be true, the demands will not be heeded at this session of congress. There will be "nothing doing," as the slang term expresses it, with the currency or financial legislation during the few months congress is in session. There are too many other important matters pressing for consideration at this time, many of which cannot get a hearing. The Republican leaders say that there is no immediate necessity for legislation and if the law is to be further amended the next congress in the long session will answer every purpose. But meanwhile the demands will no doubt be kept before the members of congress.

Accept Their Fate.

"Personally I am glad of it. I can now return to my home and attend to my neglected business." I am quoting from nearly every man that failed to be returned to the next congress. It shows either what cheerful statesmen or what cheerful liars they are, but at the same time one would have no use for them if they whined or "cussed" because they were unable to again represent the people from their states or districts. Senator Carter explains it by saying: "No man likes to be beaten in a race for anything, and that is the way I feel about it. At the same time, I know that, from a business point of view, it is better for me to go out now than six years from now. I can now make some money and get things fixed for the education of my boys." Many other men have the same practical way of looking at defeat in public life. Senator Peddick's philosophy is also interesting. "Really," said he, "I ought to be glad of it, because my defeat seems to have pleased so many people. Giving pleasure to other people is said to be the highest form of happiness." And the South Dakota man chuckled.

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"Another type of case is an insurance against the discovery of a missing man. A prodigal son leaves home for his country's good, and nobody knows where he is. His father, years later, leaves his property to be divided equally among his children. The trustee of the will finds himself in a difficulty. The prodigal may return from his husks, and then the other heirs will have had more than their share. We insure the trustee against the prodigal's return."

"Not long ago we insured a mortgagee against the mortgagee's marrying outside the faith, because such a marriage would have cost the mortgagee his property."—London Mail.

A BITE IN THE DARK.

The Young Man Liked Jelly, and He Filled His Mouth.

A young man whose work keeps him down town until the early morning hours usually reaches home with a sharp appetite. His mother, an indulgent mother, too, puts a little lunch out where he can get it, but this frequently fails to satisfy him. His wise parent knows this, and she saves the larder from a wholesale onslaught by locking things up.

Now, if there is one thing in particular that this youth dotes upon it is jelly. But jelly is an article of food that takes time and skill in its preparation, and if the lady left her jelly jars at his disposal—well, there would be none to dispose of after a few mornings. So the jelly is locked up the tightest of all.

The other morning the youth let himself into the house just as the gray streaks of dawn were crossbaring the eastern sky. There was milk and bread awaiting him, but his soul craved for jelly. He determined to hunt for some. Taking a slice of bread and a knife, he stole down cellar and searched the fruit shelves. What happened! He dimly made out the outlines of a jelly jar. Was there any jelly in it? He dipped in his knife and felt the soft and quivering mass. What a joke on his usually careful mother! She had actually forgotten to turn the key on this treasure.

He drew out a generous quantity and carefully spread it on the bread. He had to do it largely by guesswork, because the cellar was almost totally dark. When the spreading was done, he smacked his lips lightly and took a generous bite.

No, it wasn't jelly; it was soft soap.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Lark's Song.

A writer on "The Wonders of the Spring" says that the volume of sound produced by the skylark is most wonderful. "The lark ascends until it appears no larger than a midge and can with difficulty be seen by the unaided eye, and yet every note of its song will be clearly audible to persons who are fully half a mile from the nest over which the bird utters its song."

"Moreover, it never ceases to sing for a moment, a feat which seems wonderful to us human beings, who find that a song of six or seven minutes in length, though interspersed with rests and pauses, is more than trying. Yet this bird will pour out a continuous song of nearly 20 minutes in length and all the time has to support itself in the air by the constant use of its wings."

A Business Proposition.

Now, here is a poet who is practical enough. He hails from Dooly county, and it will be seen from his letter that he means business. He writes:

"I have wrote a poem about 100 yards long, as high as I kin guess. It took me six months an two hours to write it. I ain't no judge of these things, an what I want to know is where I kin hire a good man to read it for me an tell me what it is. To sitch a man I will pay \$1 a day till he gets through, only he mustn't take too long!"—Atlanta Constitution.

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CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*

The National Clothing House.

A very large Clothing purchase at the auction sale in Chicago of the K. N. & F. Co., at a saving of 50 per cent. of cost to manufacture. 1800 Men's Suits; 385 Men's Overcoats; 85 Boy's Overcoats; 180 Boy's Suits and 300 pairs Men's Pants.

LOT 1. Several Hundred Fall and Winter Suits, very stylish, and made from the most popular fabrics known, such as Black Clay Worsteds, Tricot Lanes, Hanover Casimeres, Scotch Cheviots and Worsteds. 50 different patterns to select from. K. N. & F. wholesaled these Suits in large quantities for \$10.00. Our price... **\$4.95**

LOT 2. 345 Men's Handsome \$13.50 and \$15.00 Suits. Every Garment is made with Padded Shoulders so there is no chance for them to lose their shape and they have Hand Made button holes. Investigate this lot. K. N. & F. sold them in large lots for \$15.00. We sell them for... **7.50**

LOT 3. 220 Men's All Wool Serge Suits, Fast Blue, Fall and Winter Weights, fine quality, carefully tailored, perfect fitting, with strictly high grade linings, Single and Double Breasted Sack Styles in all sizes, 34 to 44. Your choice now for... **12.50**

LOT 4. 158 Men's Good Overcoats, Beaver and Irish Frieze, handsomely lined with fancy Worsteds. K. N. & F. sold these coats \$7.50. We now offer them for... **4.75**

LOT 5. 236 Pure All Wool Black and Blue Kersey Overcoats. Also Silver Gray Irish Frieze, Worsteds body lining, satin sleeves and shoulder, silk velvet collar. K. N. & F. wholesaled them for \$13.50. We retail them for... **9.50**

LOT 6. 123 Men's Modern Overcoats. Made of the new Oxford Gray and Brown mixed, rough-faced Vicunas, half silk lined with fancy Striped Worsteds body linings. K. N. & F. wholesaled these for \$15.00. We retail them for... **10.00**

LOT 7. Men's Very Swell Overcoats, Raglans and Chesterfields. Made well in all the new shades of gray and blue. K. N. & F. wholesaled these coats for \$18. We retail them for... **13.50**



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Smoking Jackets!

A variety of 50 different styles and patterns of Smoking and House Jackets, bought especially for Holiday Trade. There can be no more desirable present for a gentleman. Our sales of these garments are evidence of their popularity. Golf Cloths, Velvets, Matchless, etc., the best materials and best patterns are here. Prices range from \$4.50 to \$15.00 and the best possible value at each price. We direct special notice to two lines in our main department. Great variety of patterns at

\$8.50 and \$12.00 each.

The National Clothing House,

No. 7 First Street, Dixon, Ill.

Advance Sale of
Christmas Gifts for Gentlemen
at Todd's Hat Store.

Call and look at the new Mufflers and new Neckwear, fine Gloves, Dress Suit Cases, etc., and fine Umbrellas.

Todd's Hat Store,
Opposite the P. O.

THE PARK RESTAURANT
Dealer in
Staple Groceries, Confectionery, Cigars, Tobacco.

UNCHES AT ALL HOURS.

B.F. Snyder, Prop.
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Don't Forget the Number.

Picture Framing

is an art that has reached a high state of perfection in our department. Our stock of mouldings is new, large and choice. Our prices are most reasonable. Orders are executed promptly. We sell pictures; we mount pictures and cut mats.

G. J. REED, 25 First Street,
Under Godfrey's Grocery Store.
Open Tuesday and Saturday Evenings.

Here's a small assortment of trades that are
Worth Looking Into.

New Evaporated Apples, per pound... 10c
Large Choice Raisins... 15c
Quart Jars Extra Fancy Plum Butter... 15c
1 Pound Can Plums... 25c
10 Bars Good Laundry Soap... 25c
Choice Strained Honey in Pint Jars... 20c
Choice White Clover Honey... 15c
Fancy Cod Fish Per Pound... 10c

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JUST RECEIVED!
New York Buckwheat,
Pure Canadian Maple Syrup
and Maple Sugar.

Also O. P. C.
Self-rising Buckwheat and Corn Flour
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We Have
...our...
X-mas Stock Complete.

An especially fine line of
Iron Beds,
Leather Rockers,
Fancy Chairs, &c.

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Undertakers,
No. 84 Galena Avenue.

Our 16 Years

in the exclusive RETAIL SHOE BUSINESS in the city of Dixon, gives us confidence in our ability to select FOOTWEAR that will please the people of Dixon and surrounding vicinity. Our stock is large and embraces some of the best known manufacturer's shoes of this country.

We Do Not Sell Shoddy Shoes
at any price. You will find even our cheapest lines are made with solid leather insoles and counters. Our aim is to give each customer such quality and prices as will influence their return to us. When needing shoes come and see our stock.

We Give Trading Stamps.

Yours to Please,

HALEY & DREW,
115 First Street.

—Dr. E. M. Browne is in Ashton today.

—G. W. Robinson of Lee Center is here today.

—James Daven of East Grove was in the city last evening.

—Prof. J. B. Dille started for Des Moines, Iowa, this morning.

—George Schorr has a grand display in the window of his saloon.

—Charles Geotzenberger of Franklin Grove was in the city yesterday.

—Mr. and Mrs. I. H. Smucker are here today from Franklin Grove.

—Frank Weir of Chicago transacted business at the court house today.

—Miss Clara Johnson went to Clinton yesterday for a few days visit.

—A man at LaClaire named Shredder lost his hand in one last week.

—George Hyde of Sterling was in the city yesterday visiting friends.

—Forward movement prayer meeting at the Methodist church tomorrow evening.

The Afternoon Whist Club will meet with Mrs. Squires tomorrow afternoon at 2:30.

—Alonso LaPorte and B. F. Frantz of Paw Paw are on business at the court house today.

—The ladies of the Christian church will have a bread and cake sale next Saturday at Bunnell's drug store.

—Miss Margaret McMaster has returned home after a three months absence in Chicago and other places.

—Dr. Thomas Brunk departed this morning for Atlanta, Ga., to be gone a few days on a visit with his people.

—Miss Laura Walker of Milwaukee, Wis., who has been visiting on the North Side, returned to her home yesterday.

The Y. M. C. A. Bible class will meet tonight at the rooms at 7:45. This will be the last session of the year. All men are invited.

—Last Sunday was observed in the churches of Aurora as railroad men's Sunday and there were large congregations of railroad men.

—Tickets for the bazaar to be given by Company G, I. N. G., during holiday week are now being sold by the boys. They should be encouraged.

—Mrs. Frank Vail of Kansas City, Mo., and John Hamill of Ft. Dodge, Iowa, were here yesterday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Joseph Vail.

—A little daughter was born yesterday to Mrs. C. E. O'Donnell of Fargo, N. D., who is here visiting her parents, John Connors and wife of Hennepin avenue.

—Miss Lindauer, who will have a china sale Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at Kelly's drug store, will spend the holidays with her sister, Mrs. Joseph Petersberger.

—The boys at the fire hall are grateful today for a box of fine cigars sent to them by Mrs. S. M. Green in consideration of their prompt answer to her fire call Sunday evening.

—Matt Hawkins of East Grove and his brother-in-law, S. C. Haskins of Bradford, Stark county, are here today on business. Mr. Haskins is visiting in Lee county during the holidays.

—G. H. T. Shaw departed yesterday morning for Calumet, Mich., where he has extensive interests, to be gone about two weeks. Mrs. Shaw accompanied him as far as Chicago, where she will visit during the interim.

—The rehearsal of the "Frost King" will take place at the Presbyterian church at 7 o'clock tonight, instead of 7:45 as previously announced. All who are to take part should be present. The entertainment will be given on Thursday evening. No admission will be charged.

—H. L. Taylor of Kankakee put 40 tons of clover hay in a mow. Strange odors arose. He attacked the hay with forks, and in tumbling it around found that the center had burned a core thru that was carbonized. Intense heat and a vile smell, a smouldering furnace it was. Many barns are burned in this way.

—On December 7th some mail addressed to W. W. Harden, Dixon, Ill., was taken, possibly accidentally, together with a package from the grocery department of I. B. Countryman's store and neither the package nor the mail has been returned. The party taking them is known and Mr. Countryman says he will prosecute the offender if the goods are not returned at an early date.

—The Bon Ton Stock Co. supporting M. B. Streeter and Miss Lillie Mouriel, opened a weeks engagement last night at the opera house by presenting "The Mystery of Cragmere". Every seat in the house was taken, and the company certainly deserved the liberal patronage, for they gave an excellent performance and will undoubtedly play to good houses all week. The scenery is especially fine, and the orchestra adds a great deal to the entertainment. Tonight they play "The Lightning Rod Agent."

BUY AND SELL!

AND BUY AGAIN, AND PAY YOUR BILLS WHEN DUE.

But Don't Pass by These Local Ads. or You'll be Passed By Too.

Bon Ton Stock Co. Dixon Opera House
Bon Ton Stock Co. Tonight
Bon Ton Stock Co. and week
Bon Ton Stock Co.

Fifty patterns of Smoking or House Jackets are now on exhibition at the City National Clothing Store for Holiday trade. Prices from \$4.50 to \$12.50. 24115

Scott's Minstrels. Dixon Opera House
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Scott's Minstrels.

PIANO LESSONS AT XMAS RATES.

Mr. A. H. Stoddard will make a Xmas Rate of \$14.40 for twenty-four lessons, which is at the rate of 60 cents per lesson and a discount of forty per cent from the usual rates.

Beginners and advanced pupils received. The above lessons to commence before or during the first week in January. Studio, Rosbrook building. 331st.

VOCAL INSTRUCTION.

Miss E. Marie O'Brien comes from Chicago to meet her pupils Friday and Saturday each week. New pupils can arrange for lessons at Dixon Music Co., Opera House. 3101st

HACK LINE.

A. I. Gage has the only first-class hack line in the city. Office 117 West First street; both telephones No. 133. Will also furnish 10c hack to all day trains.

Students Returning Home

for holiday vacations, upon presentation of proper credentials, obtain tickets via Nickel Plate Road, to all points in Central Passenger Association territory, at a fare and a third for the round trip. Tickets will be sold on day of closing school and on day immediately preceding closing date; good returning until dates school reconvenes, but not later than January 8, 1901.

For information as to train service to Ft. Wayne, Cleveland, Fostoria, Erie and other points, call on or address, JOHN Y. CALAHAN, General Agent, 111 Adams St. Chicago Passenger Station, Van Buren St. and Pacific Ave., on the Elevated Loop. 43

A Rare Opportunity.

Those of our city and vicinity, who are suffering from chronic and nervous diseases, and have failed to get well under ordinary treatment, should embrace the opportunity afforded by the special Christmas offer of Dr. Prettyman. If you go to him now, you get the benefit of the treatment and a cure as if the regular fee was charged. If you have not done so, read carefully his advertisement in this issue. Remember that Dr. Prettyman is now making visits here for the seventh year and that he can be depended upon.

Holiday Rates.

The Illinois Central will sell tickets on their line within a distance of 200 miles at a rate of one and one-third fare for the round trip. Dates of sale Dec. 22, 23, 24, 25 and 31st, 1900, and Jan. 1st, 1901, limited to return not later than Jan. 2nd., 1901.

Excursion Rates to Winter Resorts.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets are sold daily, with favorable time limits, to numerous points in the West and South at reduced rates. For tickets and full information, apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

Reduced Rates for Christmas and New Year Holidays.

The Nickel Plate Road will sell tickets December 22 to 25, inclusive, December 31, 1900, and January 1, 1901, at rate of one fare and a third for the round trip, to any point located in Central Passenger Association territory, good returning to and including January 2, 1901. Vertibuled sleeping cars. Individual club meals, ranging in price from 35 cents to \$1.00, served in dining cars. Address JOHN Y. CALAHAN, General Agent, 111 Adams St., Chicago, for particulars. Depot, Van Buren St. and Pacific Ave., on the Elevated Loop. 42

FOR RENT.

THREE Front Office Rooms, over Godfrey's Grocery store. Apply to Wm. BARNES 341st

RESTAURANT building. Good chance for a good man. The best room and location in Polo, partly furnished. Apply immediately to J. M. POWELL at Polo. 351st

FOR SALE

THREE medium-sized hard coal burners. Mrs. M. METCALF, East First street. 351st

FOUND.

DIAMOND set to a Sir Knight Charm which owner can have by describing same and paying for this advertisement. 351st JOHN J. DEVLIN.

Plymouth Clothing and Shoe House

No. 12, First Street, Dixon, Illinois.

The Great Auction Sale of Kuh, Nathan & Fisher Co. Chicago,

Manufacturers of High-grade Clothing for Men, Boy's and Children, was attended by buyers from all parts of the U. S. all eager to secure some of this noted firms make of clothing. The stock consisting of Suits, Overcoats and Pants, was so immense that it was utterly impossible for any one concern to handle it all. WE ATTENDED THIS SALE AND WE BOUGHT HEAVILY in Suits and Overcoats for Men, Boy's and Children, at less than cost to manufacture.

We Begin Today a Sale of Suits and Overcoats

purchased at this AUCTION SALE, which for Phenomenally Low Prices and Extra Good Values far outstrips anything ever attempted in Lee county, and we would advise all intending purchasers of suits and overcoats, without fail, to investigate the Bargains we have in store for you.

As never will you buy good clothing as cheap as now.

Men's Winter Suits, made from all wool cheviots, cassimeres and Tweeds, stylishly made, a variety of patterns to select from. Wholesaled by K. N. & F. Co. at \$7.50 our price... **\$4.75**

Men's Winter Suits, made from fine worsteds, cheviots and cassimeres. K. N. & F. Co. wholesaled them at \$10, our price... **\$6.95**

Men's Finest Suits for the Winter. Clay, worsteds, Oxford, vicunas, weltons, unfinished worsteds, blue stripes, striped and checked worsteds. Elegantly made and trimmed. Wholesaled by K. N. and F. Co. at \$13.00 our price... **\$9.75**

Children's Suits, worth double the price we ask, at 98c, \$1.50, \$1.98 and... **\$2.95**

Boys' Long Pants Suits, ages 14 to 19 years. A big variety to select from, \$4.95, \$7.50 and... **\$9.75**

Men's Winter Overcoats, made from excellent quality, beaver and Kersey. Wholesaled by K. N. and F. Co. at 7.50, our price... **\$4.75**

Men's Winter Overcoats, made from extra fine blue and black kerseys, black and Oxford freizes and coverts, wholesaled by K. N. and F. Co. at \$10.00 our price... **\$6.95**

Men's Winter Overcoats. Extraordinary values in this lot. Oxfords, vicunas, tan and gray coverts. Imported freizes and kerseys, tailored in the best possible manner. Every coat in the lot was wholesaled by K. N. and F. Co. at \$12.50 and \$13.50 our price... **\$9.75**

Men's Pants

Bought at the K. N. and F. Co. auction, that ordinarily sell for double the amount we ask for them.

Men's Durable Cheviot and Cassimere pants at... **98c**

Men's Regular \$2.00 Cassimere pants at... **\$1.50**

Men's Worsteds and Cassimere pants at... **\$1.98**

Men's Fine Pants in endless varieties at... **\$2.95**

Plymouth Clothing and Shoe House

Three Christmas Presents Given Away

at Prof. Brosnan's dancing school next THURSDAY evening, December 20th, consisting of a High-grade Ladies' Gold Watch and Chain, which is on exhibition at Burkhart's Jewelry Store show window, to the lady holding the lucky number; also two season tickets given to the two gentlemen holding the lucky numbers. The usual admission will be charged, gentleman and lady 50c, ladies 25c. Music furnished by the Dixon Mandolin Club. Come and enjoy a pleasant evening.

Presents Will Be Given at 11:15 P. M.



Santa Claus

Jordan Stokes, our expert shoe artist, is pleasing all who call. Drop in and try him.

Terms Strictly Cash.

Merry Christmas.

Just list the happy Christmas Bells How merrily they ring: They say, "Go get your Shoes at Gill's And peace and pleasure bring."

Yes, get your Christmas presents there For mother or your girl, Go early, get your finest choice, They'll cause your brain to whirl.

Gill's store is 103 First street, His goods beyond compare, In style, in fit, in finish, price, In dainty, nobby air,



103 First Street.

Great Glove Sale!

50c, 90c, 12c, 15c, 25c, 39c, and 43c.

Cross a street tomorrow—a great sale at 39c and 43c a pair values that will keep even the best buying at Ayres' Fire Sale. Both Ladies' and Gent's goods worth \$1.00 and up.

Men's Work Gloves and Mitts... 12c
Boys' Gloves and Mitts... 12c
Boys' Mitts... 5c

Lots of fine Goods that would make nice X-mas Presents at 1/2 regular price.

Ayres, the Harness Man

122 S. Galena Avenue.